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Chinese Inflation Gallops On

Shanghai, Nov. 26.
China's inflation, which has been showing runaway tendencies during past two weeks, broke into another gallop today.

The Chinese dollar dropped to a new low of CN\$145,000 to US\$1. At the same time the Government's Foreign Exchange Equalization Commission, striving to keep at least a few cents behind the black market, raised its open market quotation from CN\$144,000 to CN\$151,000 to US\$1.

The Government official exchange rate, now virtually neglected, is at the almost forgotten low of CN\$12,000 to US\$1.

Unless Chinese currency drops back to a walk, financial men here say that any future American aid programme will find it a great deal harder to rein it in.—Associated Press.

Chicago Printers On Strike

Chicago, Nov. 25.
Six daily newspapers here published photo-engraved editions of nearly the normal size today after their 500 printers left their jobs in the largest newspaper strike their union has ever staged.

The strike, called on Monday night by the AFL Chicago Typographical Union in a dispute over employment rules and wages, affected all the city's newspapers—Tribune, Sun, Journal of Commerce (all morning papers), Times, Daily News, Herald-American (afternoon newspapers).

They have a combined circulation of 2,954,874.—United Press.

PRINCESS AND PHILIP ON PHEASANT SHOOT

Romsey, Nov. 26.
Princess Elizabeth and her husband, Prince Philip, hunted pheasants on the 6,000-acre preserve around the Broadlands estate where they are honeymooning.

An aide said the couple "had an excellent day's sport."—Associated Press.

Chinese Reds Open New Battle Front

Shanghai, Nov. 26.
The Chinese Communists opened a new front today as Kung Chun-chow's hitherto dormant Reds crossed the Han River and headed for the Shensi-Szechuen border, Chinese reports said.

Reports said that the Communist 33rd Army, based in the thinly garrisoned southeastern corner of Shensi, attacked and captured Chingnan, approximately 200 miles south of Sian, crossed the upper reaches of the Han River and reached Ankong, only 50 miles north of the Szechuen border.

Details of the new Communist offensive were not available but it was believed that the attack would seriously hamper the Nationalist plan to move additional Szechuen divisions to strengthen river defenses along the Yangtze River, especially the Hankow area.

Kiangsu Battle
Meanwhile, the heaviest fighting was reported in northern Kiangsu province where the Communists attacked Fenghsien, 38 miles northwest of Hsuehchow.

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Kuomintang Shows Substantial Lead

Nanking, Nov. 26.
More than 10 persons were killed in Changsha, capital of Hunan province, in the first election violence reported throughout China.

A Nanking "Evening News" dispatch said that a fight developed when candidates tried to seize ballot boxes. From Hangchow, the same paper reported a fracas between opposition groups in at least two county towns as a result of the elections.

Though no appreciable results of China's first democratic elections, carried out during the weekend, are available, first results reaching Nanking indicate that the Kuomintang has a substantial lead over the minority parties—the Social

BIG FINE FOR FRUIT IMPORTERS

London, Nov. 26.
A fine of £25,000 with 1,000 guineas costs was imposed at Old Bailey today on a London firm of fruit importers for offences concerning pears and onions.

The firm was J. & J. Lyons (Import and Export) Merchants, Ltd., of Spitalfields. In addition, Joseph Lyons, director of Woodford Green, was fined £25,000 and ordered to stay in custody until the fine was paid. Counsel said the fine would be paid today.

The case, which was expected to last for a fortnight, took an unexpected turn today when counsel for the company entered a plea of guilty to eight charges of conspiracy to sell onions above the controlled price and selling pears at a price exceeding the maximum.

Joseph Lyons also pleaded guilty to two counts of conspiring to sell onions and selling onions at above the controlled price.

The prosecution accepted the plea and offered no further evidence on ten other counts alleging similar offences.—Reuter.

MONKEY BUSINESS

Shanghai, Nov. 26.
Election officials reported today that during the vote counting of Saturday's National Assembly elections it was discovered one vote was cast for a "big monkey" and another for So Wu, famous Chinese warrior in the Tang Dynasty.—United Press.

place but the voters refused to vote for him and all cast their ballots for the Generalissimo. Election results in Canton showed a Kuomintang landslide with all prominent party men returned to office.

The elections failed to arouse great interest. About 350,000 votes were cast in Canton.

High Kuomintang leaders conferred today with members of the Young China and Democratic Socialist parties in an attempt to break the deadlock over the nomination of candidates for the nationwide election of 773 delegates to the Legislative Yuan on December 21 to 23.

The outcome of the closed meeting, in which Dr. Sun Fu and General Wu Te-chun respectively President and Vice President of the Legislative Yuan, and Mr. Chu Li-fu, Minister of Organization, represented the Kuomintang, is not known but Kuomintang circles had earlier warned that if the impasse continued, the practice of allocating a certain quota of uncontested seats to minority parties would have to be discontinued.

The present disagreement is said to have arisen over the demand of the Democratic Socialist Party for at least an equal number of nominated candidates as the Young China Party, which recently submitted to the Kuomintang authorities a list of 120 delegates.

The new Legislative Yuan will be the highest legislative organ of the Chinese Government and will have the final say on all important measures affecting China's domestic and foreign policies.—United Press, Associated Press, Reuter.

China And German Peace Pact

Nanking, Nov. 26.
China today reiterated her demand to be included among the great powers discussing the German peace treaty.

An official release from the Chinese Foreign Office this morning said that, though the United States, Britain and France have all expressed agreement that China should be included as a member state to the German Peace Treaty, the Soviet decision is still awaited in Nanking.

Similar Notes
The statement recalled that on November 6, the Chinese Government dispatched identical notes to the Big Four powers, stating that the work of drafting peace treaties for ex-enemy countries in Europe was according to the provisions laid down in the Potsdam agreement, to be entrusted to the signatory powers relevant to terms of surrender.

The United States and Britain, in their replies, pointed out that the two Governments had consistently taken the stand that China should be included as a member state of any German peace conference.

The French Government, likewise, has concurred and has assured the Chinese Government that France would support China's claim.—Reuter-AAP.

POLICE FIRE SHOTS ON KOWLOON STATION

Large crowds at the Kowloon-Canton Railway Station was treated to some gun play at 3.10 p.m. yesterday when four men drew their revolvers and fired four shots at a crowd of Chinese hooligans.

The trouble started when two of the detectives were set upon by the hooligans (rascals).

Outnumbered, one of the plainclothes men drew his revolver but before he had a chance to use it, he was grabbed, as was his companion. Another detective, from Hong Kong, seeing the plight of his Kowloon colleagues drew his gun and fired two shots into the air.

The Kowloon detectives escaped from their assailants and each fired one shot.

One of the hooligans sustained slight injury on the foot. He, with three others, has been detained by the Police.

The detectives were later treated at the Kowloon Hospital for minor facial injuries.

BANDITS ROB ROAD TEA-HUT

Three men, two armed with revolvers, entered a roadside tea-hut in Ngau Tau Kok at 7.30 p.m. yesterday, bound and gagged Ling To, 50, and decepted with \$100 and a quantity of cigarettes of various brands.

The robbers ran in the direction of Ngau Chi Wan and, it was learned, boarded a No. 9 bus for Kowloon.

ANTI-RED BOMB BLAST IN ROME

Rome, Nov. 26.
An anti-Communist bomb explosion in Rome, mounting violence in Calabria and new incidents in the north today brought political tension to a new pitch.

The independent newspaper "Espresso" revived coup d'etat rumors in a double-deck headline which said: "Communists Accused By Christian Democrats Of Circulating Rumors Of Various Kinds."

The newspaper said "Democratic Christian Government circles blamed the Communists for not denouncing the purported rumors of a Communist move to paralyze the Government in Rome by seizing the main Terni electric generators north of the capital and cutting the rail line in half by seizing the Po River bridges."—United Press.

Jap Women MHR's Put A "Dry" Ban On The Diet

Tokyo, Nov. 26.
There are only 14 women members in the Japanese Parliament's House of Representatives but they have won their fight against drinking among male Diet members.

Yesterday, the 60-year-old House Speaker, Komekichi Matsukata, a Christian, banned the sale of liquor in the House restaurant.

What's Wrong?
Male Diet members generally took their defeat glumly but asked: "What's wrong with a little drinking? Don't American Congressmen do that too?"

The Diet's most influential woman member, 60-year-old Mrs. Shirane Kato, the former Japanese Ambassador's wife, who spoke out the complaint

SOVIET FAILS TO KEEP H.K. OUTSIDE ECAFE
Laos And Cambodia Also Admitted

Baguio, Nov. 26.
ECAFE today overrode vigorous Soviet objections and admitted Cambodia and Laos as associate members. The Commission spent the entire morning session in a Soviet-French debate over the qualifications of both applicants.

Lengthy exchanges took place between Chairman T. F. Tsang and M. Alexander Stetsenko over the entire question of associate memberships.

The admission of the two countries of the Indo-China Federation marked a double defeat for Russia, which moved for postponement of the consideration of Cambodia and Laos' applications and deletion of the resolutions concerning applications from the agenda.

The Soviet move was defeated eight to one, with Pakistan abstaining, after which Cambodia was seated by eight to nil, with Russia and Pakistan abstaining.

Twenty-five minutes later Laos was seated by nine to nil, with Russia abstaining. Amidst applause the Cambodian delegate, Son Sann, and the Laotian delegate, Outhong Souvannavong, took their seats.

H.K. Attacked
Soviet Russia's Stetsenko and Britain's P.J.H. Stent also clashed repeatedly in a protracted debate.

Russia finally lost out as the Commission approved applications from Burma, Ceylon, Hong Kong and a group composed of the Malayan Union, Singapore, Borneo, Brunei and Sarawak.

The latter group was embraced in one application. In all four cases the vote was nine to zero with Russia abstaining.

The Commission unanimously voted to recommend approval of New Zealand for full membership in the ECAFE to the Economic Social Council and Dr. Tsang (China) ordered that New Zealand be advised. It is understood that New Zealanders are leaving for the Philippines in a few days.

Restriction
Britain said that Russia was attempting to restrict the participation of associate members to discussions concerning their own interests.

Russia said she would be willing to give associate members a vote in such matters and that it would be no credit to the Commission to have associate members. He suggested a resolution defining the conditions under which they participate in deliberations.

Mr. Cuaderna interposed, expressing surprise at the Russian attempt to impose restrictions on associate members.

SOVIET "BARGAIN" ON AUSTRIA
The "Evening News" said today that Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov is expected to submit a "bargain" proposal on Austrian treaty consideration at the meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers today.

The paper's diplomatic correspondent said he "understood" Mr. Molotov would agree making Austria the first item on the agenda if it is passed immediately to the deputies and the Ministers then turned their consideration to procedure for preparation of the German peace treaty.—United Press.

Coal Mines Bill
Meanwhile, the House of Representatives finally passed the 60-day-old Bill for State Control of Coal Mining but in such an unamplified form that observers said it would be of little effect in fulfilling the Bill's purpose of increasing much-needed coal production.

The Bill, which now goes to the House of Councilors, would give State control authority over coal production, but applied only to certain mines of a special category, excluding the former large coalfields.—United Press.

Others as they have done.
She pointed out that one member hurled his name tablet at the Speaker, who was "one of the highest officers representing the people."

"The Colonel" Is In Manila

Manila, Nov. 26.
Colonel Robert E. McCormick, who arrived aboard a Pan-American plane from Hong Kong, will inspect United States military bases in Manila and the Clark Field area tomorrow as guest of Major-General George F. Moore, commanding the Philippine Army Command, and Major-General Eugene U. Bank, Commander of the 13th Air Force.

Colonel McCormick is expected to fly to Baguio on Nov. 28, aboard President Roxas' personal plane to visit the President and attend the sessions of the United Nations ECAFE meeting now underway.—Associated Press.

SIAMESE GOVT. SAYS: U.S. Helped Former Premier To Escape

Bangkok, Nov. 26.
The new Siamese Government of Premier Khuang Aphaiwong harbours a strong suspicion that the Americans arranged the escape of the former Premier, Nai Pridi Panomyong, and his personal secretary, former Navy Lieutenant Vajirachai Chalaysithwet.

The latter is accused of murdering the late King, Ananda Mahidol, who died in London, away, probably to Singapore.

Meanwhile, it was announced by a Royal Proclamation today that Field Marshal Phibun Songgram has been removed as Commander of Siam's armed forces and has been made Commander of the Army only.

King's Return
A despatch from Louisiana says that King Phumphon Aduldet of Siam will return to his country next year for the body of his brother, the late King Ananda Mahidol.—United Press & Associated Press.

The Weather

Pressure remains high over S. Asia. A vigorous and extensive depression over Hokkaido is moving N.E.
Today's Forecast: Moderate winds from E. quarter; partly cloudy.
Yesterday's Weather: Maximum 74, minimum 54, rain 0.2 inch.
November's Forecast: Rainfall: 10.5 inches.
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YOUNG MAN AND GIRL IN SORDID CASE

What was described by the prosecution as a "sordid case" was heard by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday when Chau Yuk-wah, 20, was charged with indecently assaulting Tong Kwok-hing, 20-year-old spinster.

Inspector H. W. Fraser, S.C.A., stated that the parties knew each other when defendant was working for the girl's brother, Tong Kwok-ki, at 7 Cedar Street, second floor. At 1 a.m. on Sept. 21, the girl awoke to find accused on her bed tampering with her clothing. He held his hand over her mouth. He left after five minutes. She made no report of this incident.

The next incident occurred at 4 a.m. the following day when the girl was again awakened by

1,000 MONTHLY TRAM TICKETS

More than 1,000 monthly tram tickets have so far been issued by the Hong Kong Tramways. It was learned yesterday.

Extra official personnel have been "loaned" from other departments of the company to cope with the large number of applicants who are mostly Chinese.

accused unfastening her clothing, and attempting to violate her. She resisted but the accused indecently assaulted her. On Sept. 23, continued the prosecution, the girl was again indecently assaulted by defendant. He refused to leave when urged but sat by the side of her bed for half an hour.

"Give Up Wife"

Chau, said Mr. Fraser, that he told the girl he was prepared to give up his wife in the country and marry her. The girl, in turn, asked him to sign a document to that effect.

On Sept. 23, the girl's brother asked her whether she had been seduced by Chau and she replied in the affirmative. While the girl was telling her brother the "sordid story," defendant left the premises.

At 9 p.m. on Nov. 23, Chau

called at Cedar Street and denied having seduced the girl. When she suggested medical examination, defendant counter-suggested that they go to the Police Station to have the matter settled.

The girl was sent by the police to Kowloon Hospital for examination. It was found that although she had been tampered with she had not been violated.

In a statement from the dock, accused said that what he did was with the consent of the girl. She knew that he was a married man and was prepared to be his concubine. It was only at the Police Station that she denied everything and preferred the charge.

In reply to the Magistrate, defendant said he suggested going to the Police Station because he found the terms of the document he was asked to sign "too harsh." He went to have the thing decided by the Officer-in-Charge.

"Kit-Fat" Wife

Tong told the Court that she did not love the man for consent to the intimacies. She did not want to be his concubine but to be his "kit-fat" wife. She did not report to the Police because accused had promised to sign the document.

Mr. Blair-Kerr said that the Court believed the girl was a consenting party. He convicted defendant but conditionally released him on his own recognizance in the sum of \$500 to come up for sentence within one year.

Mr. W. H. Laidler yesterday adjourned since the inquest on Lau Ping, 56, for further investigations by the Police.

Deceased died at Kowloon Hospital on Oct. 13 as the result of injuries received when he was knocked down by a vehicle in Chatham Road at 9.15 p.m. the previous day.

European Hurt When Van And Cycle Crash

Mr. J. B. Homer, rodent control officer of the Health Department, was involved in a traffic accident at about 9.45 a.m. yesterday outside the Bank of Canton. He suffered injuries to his right hand and right leg.

According to an eye witness, he was driving a motor cycle along Des Voeux Road, from East to West following close behind a small motor van belonging to G2man & Company.

To avoid running over shoeing boys who dashed into the road, the driver of the van suddenly applied his brakes.

Mr. Homer made an effort to swerve clear, but collided with the rear end of the van.

She Lost Her Six Bars Of Gold

Six gold bars, weighing 66 taels and valued at approximately \$22,000, and half of \$250 were lost by Hau Yiu-hap, of Amoy, when she failed to appear before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday to answer the charge of importing the gold without a permit.

Revenue Officer L. C. Millington said accused arrived by C.A.L. plane at 12.30 p.m. on Nov. 25, and claimed a wooden trunk (which was being examined by R/O 208 and SGR0 157) as her only piece of luggage.

"Only Clothes" Shown a list of delectable goods, she was alleged to have stated. "No, I have none of these items, only some clothes."

The trunk was opened by the Revenue Officers and found to have a false bottom. She was again asked whether she had anything in the false bottom and, said R/O Millington, replied in the negative.

SGR0 157 opened the bottom with a screw driver and found dress lengths of silk material and in between them, six gold bars of various sizes.

Wedding

Mayne - Eleazer

Personalia

Mrs. Chase, the wife of Mr. Arthur A. Chase, of American Resident Lines, is arriving in Hong Kong on December 15, accompanied by their daughter.

Returning from a survey flight to Japan, a BOAC flying boat arrived in Hong Kong yesterday bringing back Mr. A. D. Bennett, Hong Kong Manager of BOAC, and Mr. W. A. Brunker, head of the BOAC's Eastern Division, who had been negotiating with SCAP authorities in Tokyo.

It was learned that the negotiations with SCAP were satisfactory. BOAC are now awaiting a licence from SCAP and plan to extend their Hong Kong service to Iwakuni within a week after receipt of the licence.

Arrivals at the Gloucester Hotel yesterday included: Mr. H. B. Botelho, Mr. J. V. Ormrod and Mrs. J. W. S. Brancher. Departures were: Miss M. F. Apperly, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Badger, Mr. E. Miller, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. S. Barsley, Miss Kennedy and Mr. H. P. Babbitt.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Jensen arrived at the Hong Kong Hotel yesterday. Departures were: Mr. A. Dewar, Mr. S. Dmitrovsky, Mr. J. F. Gellion and Mr. K. P. Fletcher.

Arrivals at the Repulse Bay Hotel yesterday included: Mr. and Mrs. N. C. McGregor, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Loneragan, Mr. E. M. McIlree and Mr. and Mrs. G. Mayne. Departures were: Mr. L. Christie and Capt. A. Melhem.

Passengers arriving from Manila by C.P.A. airliner on Tuesday included: Messrs. Lao Gant, Ong Tin Yu, Wong Sheng, Wong Chi Hong, Wong Sheng, Wong Ng Ung, Tam Ken, Wong Kong, Shiu K. Lee, Master Ang, Wong, Messrs. Wong Koa, Kwong Fat, Luk Tin, Kwong Koon, Hu Yee, Tan Cl.

A tea party was given yesterday at the Eu Tong Sen Gymnasium in honour of His Excellency the Governor and Lady Grantham by the President and Council of the Hong Kong University Union, at which the Governor is the Patron.

Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Morse, Dr. and Mrs. Leo Hah Liong, Mr. and Mrs. Yau Fung Hon, Mr. Mi Ng Jit Tsang (president) and Mr. Eric H. (secretary).

The Sikh Community of Hong Kong will celebrate the birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Ji at the Sikh Temple tomorrow. Followers of the Sikh faith and friends are requested to attend. Heads of Government Departments and firms are requested to grant leave to Sikh employees a holiday tomorrow.

General examinations in the three cemeteries continue. In October, adds the official report, 4,311 catfish, 29,892 awing and 301 black and gold were slaughtered, while 4,188 cattle, 88,578 swine and 418 sheep and goats were received for slaughter.

In the same month, 35 lorries, 28 barges and two launches were employed on the removal of 16,380 tons of refuse and 14 lorries on the carriage of meat. 17 junks, one lighter, and the launch were employed on the removal of 8,928 tons of refuse.

SOLICITOR REBUKES POLICE INSPECTOR

"It is a hopeless way of conducting yourself as a police officer, if you will excuse my mentioning it," remarked Mr. C. A. Sutherland, solicitor for the defence, before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday when Inspector Fleming appeared against William Lay, of 22 Kennedy Road, charged with driving without due care and caution.

According to Inspector Brownrigg, defendant was driving private car No. 7533 along Hennessy Road at 1.30 p.m. on Tuesday, from West to East at a speed of about 80 m.p.h.

The area was controlled and the speed limit was 20 m.p.h. He eventually stopped outside a garage in Caroline Hill Road when Inspector Fleming drove up.

"Caught Up"

Inspector Fleming, in the witness box, stated that when he caught up with defendant and told him that he had been exceeding the speed limit and would be summoned, he received from defendant a reply that he could summon him for any number of offences.

In reply to a suggestion from Mr. Russ that he was impolite in his manner of addressing defendant, Inspector Fleming replied that he was most courteous.

Mr. Russ: "I put it to you that it is not usual in cases of this nature to issue a summons rather than to make an arrest." Inspector Fleming said that driving without due care and caution constituted a serious offence.

Mr. Russ: "Was not the manner in which you alleged defendant behaved that made you effect the arrest instead of issuing a summons?" Inspector Fleming replied that he arrested defendant as it was part of his duty.

Reminders

Today
Y's Men's Club Luncheon, Talk on "Recent Impressions of Nanking" by S.L. Yen, H.K. Hotel, 12.45 p.m.
Jockey Club, Half-Yearly Meeting, 5.30 p.m.
Gala Evening (Ladies' Night), European YMCA.
Sino-British Club Music Group Concert, St. Stephen's Girls' College, 8 p.m.
Dr. T. V. Soong, Governor of Kwangtung, pays official call on Hong Kong, Queen's Pier, 12.15 p.m.
Reception for Dr. T. V. Soong, Roof Garden, H.K. Hotel, 6.30 p.m.
H.K. Badminton Association Meeting, 5.30 p.m., "SCM" Board Room.
Paintings Exhibition, St. Francis Hotel.
St. Andrew's Church Council Meeting, 8 p.m.
St. Andrew's Ball, Peninsula Hotel.
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Knocked Down
BY TRAM

A well-dressed Chinese was knocked down by a west-bound tram at about 8.30 p.m. last night near the Kwong Sang Hong at Des Voeux Road Central, sustaining facial injuries. He was later removed to hospital in an ambulance.

3492 Exhumations In Single Month

One thousand four hundred and fourteen burials for private exhumation were issued by the Urban Council during October. It was officially reported yesterday.

During the same period, 441 bodies in the Kai Lung Wan West Cemetery, 207 bodies in the Chai Wan Cemetery and 1,430 bodies in New Kowloon Cemetery No. 7 were exhumed. General examinations in the three cemeteries continue.

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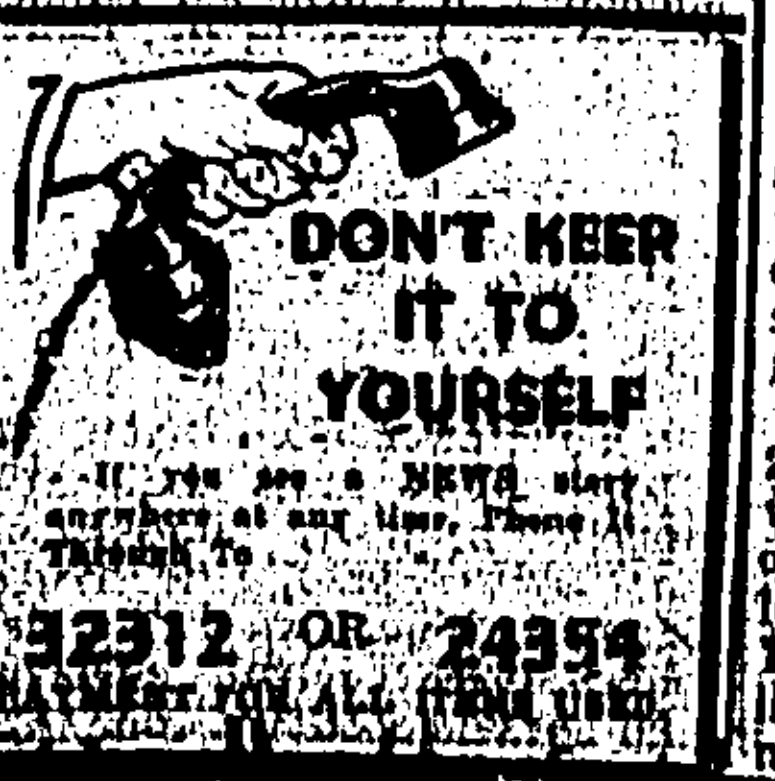
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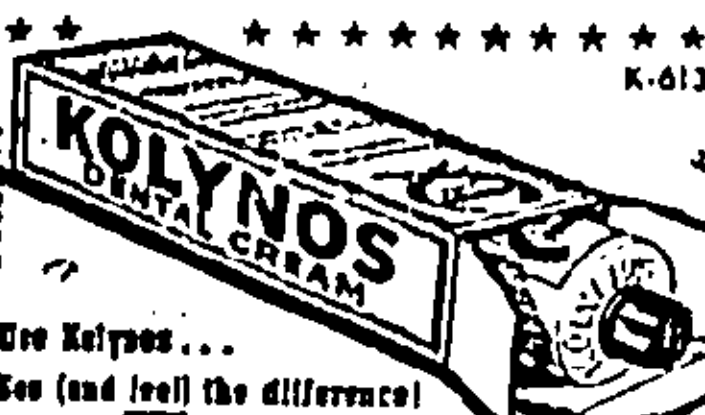
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Ex-ATS Girl In Tram, Car Crash

Rose E. Chan, of No. 39, Robinson Road, former ATS (Land Transport) driver, who drove Red Cross vehicles under enemy fire in Hong Kong during the War, gave evidence before Mr. F. X. d'Almada yesterday at Central.

Traffic Inspector Si Wal Ming prosecuted.

Testifying, Miss Chan said she was travelling along Des Voeux Road from the Sincere Company towards the General Post Office and tried to turn into Lee Yuen Street, E.

Oncoming traffic prevented her and she had to stop for about half a minute on the East-bound tram track.

While her car was stationary, Miss Chan continued, Tram No. 23, which was travelling some distance behind, dashed against her car, No. 2296.

Driver's Story
Hong Kong alleged the car was following him and cut across to turn into Lee Yuen Street, forcing him to brake sharply. He admitted it was too sudden for him to sound the bell.

After he cut off power, the tram continued some distance and a collision was inevitable. The tram was travelling at "four units" (five mph), he added.

Defence Counsel, Mr. Y. K. Kan, of Lo & Lo, said complainant's evidence would support a charge of negligent driving on the part of Hong, but, in this case, defendant did stop in the face of impending danger.

It was only his miscalculation of the time which complainant could take to cross the track.

Mr. Kan contended there was contributory negligence on the part of Miss Chan in trying to squeeze in between traffic.

3 On Charge Of Grim Gang Killing

A complete alibi was claimed by Lam, Kui, first accused in the trial of three suspected murderers of Lo Bee, in a gang fight on May 28. He testified before the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. E. H. Williams, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

Lam, together with his fellow accused, Chung Tin and Chung Kai, are defended by Mr. Marcus Silva, and the case for the prosecution is conducted by Mr. A. J. Clifford, Crown Counsel, assisted by Det. Inspector G. E. Willerton, officer in charge of the case.

Lam, nick named "Fan Kwat Kui," said he was a coolie employed by Cheung Chi Kee of 60, Queen's Road West, and on May 28 was engaged in packing onions and vegetables from dawn to 8.30 p.m. when, after a break for dinner, he resumed work at 9 p.m. At 10.30 p.m. he finished work and then went to Tang Ki, the foreman, to collect his day's wages. Tang was out and he went to smoke opium. He was leaving when his wife warned him that PCC Ip Chuen was on his trail for a suspected killing at Second Street.

"Going Out"
"Do you remember stealing my junk in the country?" P.C.C. Ip Chuen was alleged to have said to Lam, Kui when he arrested him. "You are now in my hands and you won't get through this time."

Explaining this, Lam said he and Ip were friends before the war, being neighbouring villagers. During the occupation

of Hong Kong, Lam was accused of stealing his junk, but an investigation conducted by the village elders proved the charge to be unfounded.

Lam further alleged that on May 29, the day after the incident, between 12 noon and 1 p.m., when the ASP was out, PCC Ip Chuen brought in Chan Ming-fai, the Crown's star witness to his cell for the purpose of identification.

At this stage further hearing was adjourned to 9.30 a.m. this morning.

Mother In Tears
During the morning session, the aged mother of the deceased, Lo Bee, gave evidence, amid repeated outbursts of tears, of seeing her son go out on the evening of May 28, of seeing a gang running in the street carrying poles, followed by shouts from Chan Ming-fai that her son was being assaulted. She went down and with the help of others brought her son up to her flat, badly injured after the gang assault on him.

Evidence of arrest of all three accused was given by the constables concerned.

D.S.I. Willerton, testifying, to a statement made by first accused, replied, in answer to Mr. Silva, that it was a fact that the small boy, Lam Ming-fai, was frequently at No. 7 Police Station, the reason being that witnesses in a gang fight often disappeared, and it was necessary to have them report regularly. It was true that pocket money was paid the boy, but he knew nothing of a sum of \$50 being promised him for appearing to give evidence.

Passing sentence, the Magistrate said: "I have taken everything into consideration, specially your good police record. In any other case I would have passed sentence of two or three years' hard labour. I have decided to treat you leniently and sentence you to six months' hard labour."

Defendant, who was represented by Mr. A. A. Arculli, was convicted on Tuesday on the charge of possession and acquisition of the count of larceny of the revolver. The Magistrate referred the third charge of breach of Police discipline for departmental action.

"Alive Purely By The Grace Of God"

"It was purely by the Grace of God that I was not killed," said Inspector Reddish, of the Traffic Department, when he appeared against Lew Yiu Kam, driver of public car No. 4807.

Lew was charged with driving without due care and caution at Breezy Path.

Defendant pleaded guilty and was fined \$150 or two weeks.

According to Inspector Reddish, defendant was driving public car No. 4807, of the Star Taxi Company, along Breezy Path. In rounding the corner, he drove to the wrong side of the road and left witness hardly any room to pass.

Information had been received from Mr. Skinner, of Queen Mary Hospital, that defendant had done excellent work during the Japanese occupation. He had no previous record.

"ATTEMPT TO CORNER SUGAR MARKET"

An alleged attempt to "keep the people without sugar except by paying for it on the black-market," was revealed by Sub-Inspector Gillis when Ngan Chun-cheung, 44, shopkeeper, and Ngan Ma-keung, 32, wharf cooler, were charged before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday with dealing in 1,300 cabbies of sugar without the permission of the S.T. & L.

First defendant was charged. The present case, he said, was definitely one of conspiracy between authorised suppliers of rationed sugar and shopkeepers who dealt in blackmarket commodities.

S/I Gillis said that on Nov. 22, Police constable 1904 saw two bags of sugar being loaded on to a lorry outside 61 Main Street, Sai Kung.

Second defendant, when accused, claimed the sugar as his property. The accused claimed another 7½ bags as his.

He said that he purchased the sugar from the first defendant at 45 cents per lb. and that he paid from five to eight cents to ration-ticket holders for their ration cards.

For Kowloon
Ngan Ma-keung, said S/I Gillis further admitted that he intended to take the sugar out to the Kowloon to sell for about 70 cents per lb.

Mr. Noronha, of the S.T. & L., stated that blackmarketing of sugar had been going on for a considerable time but that the source of supply could not be traced.

**ON TRIAL FOR
ARMED ROBBERY**
Fung Lin, Young Wah, and Wong Loh-chung, alias Wong Chong, were committed for trial by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday on nine charges of armed robbery and one of possession of arms and ammunition.

Defendants were alleged to have robbed (while armed with a revolver and a dagger) Ng Pih-ha and Chan Kwok-ying on Sept. 8; Wong Lin and Ip Fong on Sept. 16; Leung Fan on Sept. 23; Fok Yung-tung on Sept. 26; Wong on Oct. 10; Chen Ming on Oct. 17; Lai Lam on Oct. 22; Liu Lo on Oct. 30; Ma Hung-pan on Aug. 2.

The loot comprised fountain pens, jewellery, money and other personal belongings.

The revolver (fully loaded in six chambers), dagger and two handgrenades were found by Det. Sub-Inspector J. R. Sykes in a dry lavatory on the roof of 297 Portland Street on Nov. 1.

**'Very Old Woman' Was
Keen Rent Racketeer**

"The defendant is a very old woman and if Your Worship will let her off with a caution, she will leave the Colony," said Mr. C. A. Sutherland, R.S. to Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday.

He was appearing for Young Yuk Sam, widow, of 154, Lockhart Road, first floor, who was charged on six counts of overcharging rent to her sub-tenants, failing to give her landlord particulars of her sub-tenants, and failing to furnish her sub-tenants of the rent payable to the landlord.

Inspector G. T. Byron, of the S.C.A., told the court that defendant, who was not in court on Sept. 8 received from Mabel Wong \$30 as rent for the month from So Ma-wai \$60 on Sept. 10, from Wal Ying on Oct. 1, \$60 and from Robert Lee on Oct. 2, \$60.

The rent payable to the landlord was \$90, but together with miscellaneous sundries, such as light, water, etc., it would come to \$105.

Mr. Russ, on behalf of defendant, pleaded that she and her husband was an old woman and her husband was killed by the Japanese.

He stated that defendant spent \$2,000 for repairs to the flat and was merely trying to get her money back.

Mr. d'Almada fined her \$100 and on the application of Mr. Russ, allowed one week to make the payment.

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ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles from 12.30 to 2.00 p.m. and 6.30 to 11.00 p.m., and also on 9.12 megacycles from 11.30 to 12.30 and 12.30 to 1.15, 7.30 to 8.30 and 9.15 to 11.00 p.m. H.K.T.

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4. These commodities may be inspected at the CSB POL Section, RASC Whitfield Barracks Kowloon between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. daily until Friday, 28th November, 1947.

5. Applications to view will be received at and necessary passes and tender forms obtained from HQ RASC, Whitfield Barracks, Kowloon, daily between the hours of 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. up to Friday, 28th November, 1947.

6. Tenders will be received up to 11 a.m. Tuesday, 2nd December, and must be deposited at HQ RASC, Whitfield Barracks Kowloon, in sealed packets, marked "Tender for purchase of RASC Oil and Grease" before this time and date.

7. The Secretary of State for War does not bind himself to accept the highest or any tender.

E. G. HAZELTON,
Lieutenant-Colonel,
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11Q Land Forces, Hong Kong.

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1. Tenders are invited for the purchase of the following surplus stores located at H.M. Victualling Yard, Kowloon.

LOT 1. Flying Boots, Socks for flying boots, etc. 363 items
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Monday to Friday:—9 a.m. to 12 noon—2 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturday:—9 a.m. to 12 noon only.

3. Closing date for Tenders:—
12 noon on Saturday 6th December, 1947.

4. No warranty is given in any way as to quantity, condition, etc. and the lots will be sold as they lie.

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J. G. MARSDEN,
Superintendent,
Victualling Yard.

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K. C. CHAN
Manager
Tel. No. 21484

Hongkong, 28th, November 1947.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Twelfth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 6th December 1947 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock noon on Thursday, 27th Nov. 1947.

By Order,
S. A. SLEAP,
Actg. Secretary.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE NOVEMBER HALF-YEARLY GENERAL MEETING OF VOTING MEMBERS will be held at the Club House, Happy Valley, on Thursday, 27th November 1947, at 5.30 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS are cordially invited to attend and participate in any discussion which may ensue.

By Order of the Stewards,
S. A. SLEAP,
Actg. Secretary.

HONG KONG,
11th November 1947.

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT

Tenders are invited from Companies or persons entitled to own British vessels, for the purchase of T.I.D. type tug No. 151.

Tenders should be submitted in triplicate to the Harbour Master, Harbour Office, Hong Kong, before noon on Friday, 12th December, 1947.

Particulars of the vessel are as follows:—
Length : 65'
Breadth : 17'
Draft : 7'

Steel, single screw, steam, oil fired.
Compound engine of 220 I.H.P.

Further particulars and permission to view may be obtained from the Superintendent, Engineer, Government Shipway, Yau-mai.

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J. JOLLY,
Harbour Master.

Harbour Office,
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IN THE GOODS OF WILLIAM ANDERSON late of the S. S. "Hollkon," Chief Engineer, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance, 1897, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 4th day of December, 1947.

All creditors and others are accordingly required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 27th day of November, 1947.

F. ZIMMERN & CO.,
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Holland House,
Queen's Road, Central,
Hong Kong.

ST. DAVID'S SOCIETY OF HONG KONG

The Annual General Meeting of the Cymdeithas Dewi Sant will be held at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, November 27, in the Jacobean Room of the Hong Kong Hotel.

It is hoped that all members and Welsh people interested, will attend.

GWEN FABER,
Hon. Secretary.

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Only one vessel will be in operation on the Saturday and Sunday the 29th & 30th November respectively.

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NOTICE

Is hereby given that as from 1st December 1947 my new office premises will be situated at Gloucester Building, first floor, Rooms 107-109.

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POLICE NOTICE

POLICE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE ARRIVAL IN THE COLONY OF HIS EXCELLENCY DR. T.V. SOONG, GOVERNOR OF KWANGTUNG PROVINCE ON 27TH NOV., 1947.

1. ARRIVAL.

H.E. Dr. T.V. Soong will arrive at Queen's Pier at 12.30 p.m.

2. CLOSED ROADS.

The following roads will be closed to Motor Traffic from 11.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

(a) Connaught Road Central from Thomas Cooks Buildings to junction with Jackson Road, Northwest corner of Hong Kong Club.

(b) Wardley Street from Queen's Statue to Connaught Road Central.

(c) Jackson Road between Chater Road and Connaught Road Central.

3. CAR PARKS.

The following car parks will be closed to Motor Traffic from 11.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

(a) Car parks in Wardley Street from Queen's Statue to Connaught Road Central.

(b) Car parks in Jackson Road.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1947.

POLICE NOTICE

POLICE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE DEPARTURE FROM THE COLONY OF HIS EXCELLENCY DR. T.V. SOONG, GOVERNOR OF KWANGTUNG PROVINCE ON 29TH NOV., 1947.

1. DEPARTURE.

H.E. Dr. T.V. Soong will leave Queen's Pier at 10.00 a.m.

2. CLOSED ROADS.

The following roads will be closed to Motor Traffic from 9.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.

(a) Connaught Road Central from Thomas Cooks Buildings to junction with Jackson Road, Northwest corner of Hong Kong Club.

(b) Wardley Street from Queen's Statue to Connaught Road Central.

(c) Jackson Road between Chater Road and Connaught Road Central.

3. CAR PARKS.

The following car parks will be closed to Motor Traffic from 9.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.

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COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1947.

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From Sub-Inspector to Inspector:—
Yeung Wing Kwai, Mok Hing Wing and Chiu Tsun Ki.

From P.C. to Inspector:—Li Kam Chun, From P.S.(R) to S.I.(R):—Leong On Tai, Lau Yun Ning, Mak Wai Fong, Fong Si Ping and Pun Hon Yin.

From P.C.(R) to P.S.(R):—Tang Kwong Wing.

From L.S.(R) to P.S.(R):—Ced Leung, Cheng Lok Sang, Yung Fook Pal, Yeung Wing Sing, Li Chi Keung, Ng Bun Fook, Kwok Chun Lun and Leung Fung Wing.

From P.O.(R) to L.S.(R):—Cheng Ching Tin, Yeung Po Kan, Lam Chiu Chung, Lo Si Yuen, Ng Kim Hung, Lo Kam Chuen, Lee Kwok Wah, Wong Kam Chuen, Chan Kut Fel, Koh Beck Poon, Ng Chee Min, Jackson Cheng Hock Chow, Ko Sik Yee, Tang Kin Chee, Chan Ping Kwong, Ho Si Nam, Simon Lam, Chui King Hang, Julius Kwan, Kelen Au, Li Ping Kwan, Chow Kwok Wing and William Lee.

The above persons are requested to call at the Police Reserve Headquarters to acquaint themselves with their positions.

Part II Training: All new recruits posted into No. 4 Company are hereby ordered to report at the Police Reserve Headquarters, Cable Wireless Building, Connaught Road, Central, 1st Floor, on Monday, Dec. 1, 1947, for training in Part II Police Regulations, under S.I.(R) Chan Ying Fan.

Lectures for N.C.O.s: A series of Lectures will be given at the Police Reserve Headquarters during the Winter months, starting on the first week in December. It is compulsory that all N.C.O.s should attend these lectures. The time and date for these lectures will be posted up at the Headquarters notice board. N.C.O.s are hereby ordered to acquaint themselves with the date and time of these lectures.

Identification Cards: Proper Identification Cards are now ready for members of the Hong Kong Police Reserve Bandmen. They should apply at the Headquarters for same, bringing their temporary Identification Card to exchange for them. There is still a lot of Identification Cards issued to Members of Nos. 1, 2 & 3 Companies still unclaimed. Members who have not yet claim their Identification Card are hereby ordered to do so at once.

By Order,
(Sd.) N. G. ROSE, Assistant, P.R.

HONG KONG ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY

ST. ANDREW'S BALL

Members and Guests attending St. Andrew's Ball are requested to note the following points:

1. Entrance to the Peninsula Hotel is by the main door only. Dancing will take place on the first floor and supper will be served in the Poyer and in the Cafeteria.

2. Admittance to the Ball is by ticket only and these must be presented on entering. Tickets cannot be obtained at the door and no signatures will be accepted.

3. A private launch service will operate from Queen's Pier, Hong Kong, between the hours of 8.30 p.m. and 9.30 p.m. A late ferry service will operate from Kowloon at 1.30 a.m. 2.00 a.m. and 2.30 a.m. on the morning of Saturday, 29th November.

4. The first supper will be served shortly after 11 o'clock p.m. and members and guests wishing to be served then are requested to be seated in good time before that hour as no table reservations may be made.

5. Dress for the Ball is restricted to Highland Dress, Dinner Jacket or Lounge Suit.

D. S. ROBB
Joint Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1947.

HONGKONG ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY

ST. ANDREW'S BALL

Owing to the limited accommodation available the General Committee of Hong Kong St. Andrew's Society regret that no further applications for tickets for St. Andrew's Ball may now be received.

D. S. ROBB
Joint Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1947.

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On the application of R. O. Redman of the I & E Department, Mr. F. X. d'Almada granted a confiscation order for two gold and seven gold-filled watches, and one stainless steel watch, valued at approximately \$3,000.

These watches, declared Mr. Redman, were found inside a sealed tin of dyes which were part of cargo confiscated on Nov. 18, when Lah Nien Tai was arrested and charged with attempting to export unmanifested cargo to Shanghai on board the S.S. Shengking.

The cargo then consisted of tins of dyes and silk stockings and the goods were confiscated and the defendant fined \$75.

When the seized cargo was examined at the I & E Office later the watches were found inside a sealed tin of dyes.

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Subscriptions received on 26th November, 1947:

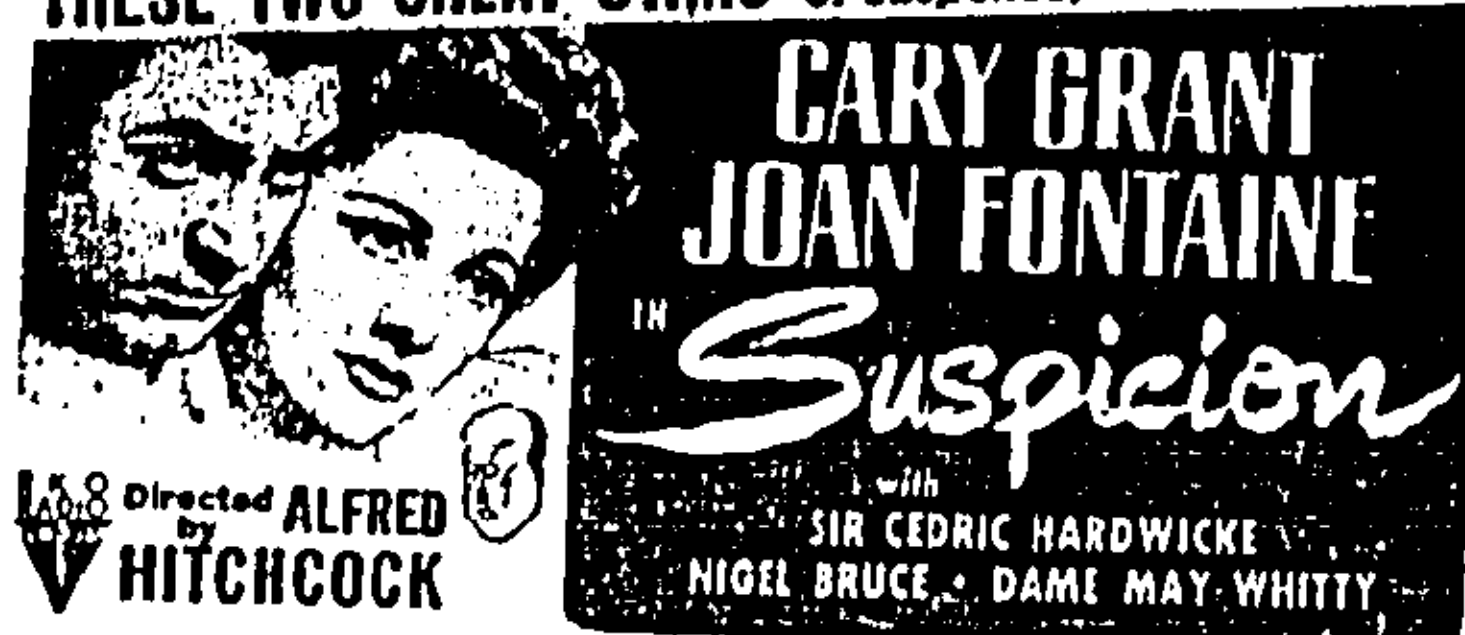
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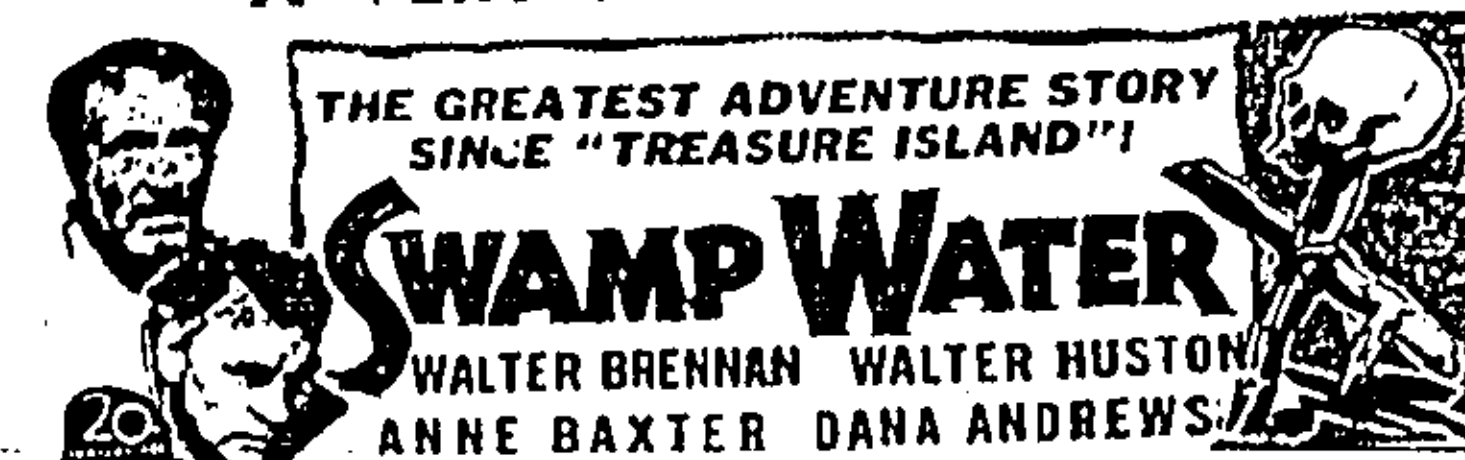
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BIG FOUR IN SESSION

Molotov Early Practises The "No" Note Demonstrators Kept Away

London, Nov. 25. The conference of the Big Four Foreign Ministers, to try once more to solve the problems of Germany and Austria, opened here formally today.

It is being attended by Mr. Ernest Bevin, (Britain), Mr. George Marshall, (United States), M. Vyacheslav Molotov, (Russia), and M. Georges Bidault, (France).

Mr. Bevin was authoritatively stated today to have reached agreement with M. Molotov in a preliminary talk last night on the importance of formulating a four-power pact on Germany.

A Foreign Office spokesman described this meeting as friendly. Mr. Bevin also entertained Mr. Marshall last night and saw M. Bidault this morning.

The first problem facing the Foreign Ministers is in what order they are to discuss the various subjects, Britain, France and the United States want to start with the Austrian peace treaty to give her sovereign independence. Russia insists that the Conference should start with the many aspects of the German problem and discuss Austria last.

At today's formal opening the Foreign Ministers were understood to be discussing their agenda. Mr. Bevin, in his opening remarks as Chairman, proposed that daily meetings should be of three hours duration. This proposal appeared to have been accepted by all the four Ministers.

The Agenda
The Foreign Ministers today agreed to include in their agenda a proposed draft treaty for the disarmament and demilitarisation of Germany, put forward by Mr. Marshall, the American Secretary of State.

The Big Four also agreed on a list of six items to be included in the agenda. But they did not solve the order in which they are to be discussed.

The previously agreed items are:

1.—The report of the Austrian treaty commission.

2.—The form and scope of the future provisional political organisation of Germany.

3.—The economic principles for the future basis of the German State.

4.—The procedure for the preparation of the German peace treaty. This item was agreed by the Foreign Ministers in the following amended form—"the preparation of the German peace treaty (frontiers and procedure)."

Consequently this item includes the French proposal to discuss the German frontiers.

Soviet Proposals

To these previously agreed items, the Foreign Ministers today added the Soviet Union's proposal for a discussion on the four-power disarmament and demilitarisation treaty proposed by Mr. James F. Byrnes.

Mr. Marshall's predecessor, and the Soviet proposal for a discussion on the implementation of the decisions taken by the Moscow meeting of the Foreign Ministers Conference on the demilitarisation of Germany.

The Big Four Ministers were assembled in the vestibule of Lancaster House three minutes before the Conference was due to start.

Shortly before, the five British husbands of the Russian women who were not allowed to leave Russia had attempted to picket the building, carrying placards in English and Russian reading "We are the British husbands without our Russian wives". The police prevented them from getting anywhere near M. Molotov.

Spectacular Arrival

M. Molotov's arrival was the most spectacular. A police outrider came roaring into the square followed by police, then came the great black Russian limousine with the Hammer and Sickle on its bonnet and the Russian flag flying.

A resplendent figure in blue grey uniform accompanied M. Molotov. He was Marshal Vasily Sokolovsky, the Soviet representative on the Allied Control Council in Berlin and author of the speech there last weekend, criticising the British and American policy in Germany.

The dapper M. Bidault was smiling broadly when he arrived with the veteran French soldier, General Georges Catroux, now French Ambassador to Moscow.

Radio Stars Burgled

Stealing, Nov. 25. Elsie and Doris Waters, stage, radio and screen artists, have been robbed of jewellery by burglars who broke into their country home in this Sussex town while they were in London. The jewellery stolen is said to include one piece worth £400.—Reuter.

Zaibatsu Liquidation Hold-Up

Washington, Nov. 25. United States members of the Foreign Claims Commission are considering technical amendments to the proposals regarding the liquidation of the Zaibatsu which may slightly delay their issue.

An official said that while the United States policy regarding the Zaibatsu liquidation remains unchanged, some Commission members have suggested that the paper on liquidation, which is still at the "lowest working levels," is too long and complicated.

In view of these objections, as well as the fact that some businessmen returning from Japan had technical suggestions to offer, United States officials wished to give further study to its working. The United States is still committed to a policy of liquidation and no deviation from that principle is under consideration.—United Press.

London, Nov. 24. Britain has appointed Sir Horace Seymour, former British Ambassador in China, as United Kingdom representative on the United Nations Balkan Commission set by resolution of the United Nations General Assembly on Oct. 21. Sir Horace intends to go to Greece in about ten days time.—Reuter.

Mr. Bevin looked dour and determined. He waved at the crowd, shivered and said: "It's cold."

The biggest applause was reserved for Mr. George Marshall, the last to arrive.—Reuter.

Molotov Stubborn

Molotov steadfastly blocked early conclusion of a treaty of independence for Austria.

Molotov rejected alike the calm argument of Mr. George Marshall (United States) and the impassioned plea of M. Georges Bidault (France), who said they must agree on something quickly—"the anxious world expects it."

Time after time, in the three-hour session in the ornate conference room—once the boudoir of a Duchess long since dead and forgotten—Molotov reiterated his position: Germany was more important than Austria. Germany must come first.—United Press.

Meyers Case Gaining Momentum

Washington, Nov. 25. The Government today launched a secret grand jury investigation of the wartime business deals carried on by Major General Bennett E. Meyers, who rose to Deputy Air Force Purchasing Chief.

A 23-man District Court panel began reviewing the data assembled by the Senate War Investigating Committee which was told that the retired Army officer, secretly owned and took US\$150,000 in profits out of a Dayton, Ohio, aircraft parts factory.

Meanwhile, the State of New York has started a separate probe of the affairs of Meyers, whom the Air Force has already removed from a US\$549 monthly pension and stripped of his medals.

Commissioner Spencer E. Bates announced at Albany, New York, that the New York State Tax Commission is investigating to determine whether General Meyers filed proper state income tax returns for his wartime and postwar incomes.

Meyers has an estate at Huntington, New York.

The Army has announced it will bring court martial action against Meyers, after Federal Court proceedings are completed. Attorney General Tom Clark has announced that a Federal grand jury at Baltimore may consider Meyers' Federal income tax returns.—Associated Press.

PARDON REFUSED

Budapest, Nov. 25.

General Gustav Jany, Hungarian wartime leader against Russia, sentenced to death by the Budapest People's Court as a criminal, was refused a pardon today by Dr. Zoltan Tildy, the Hungarian President.

General Jany will be shot within 48 hours.—Reuter.

New York, Nov. 24.

More than 20 major executives of the motion picture industry met today with Eric Johnston, President of the Motion Pictures Association of America, amid reports they would formulate a programme to "eliminate known Communists" from their studios.—Associated Press.

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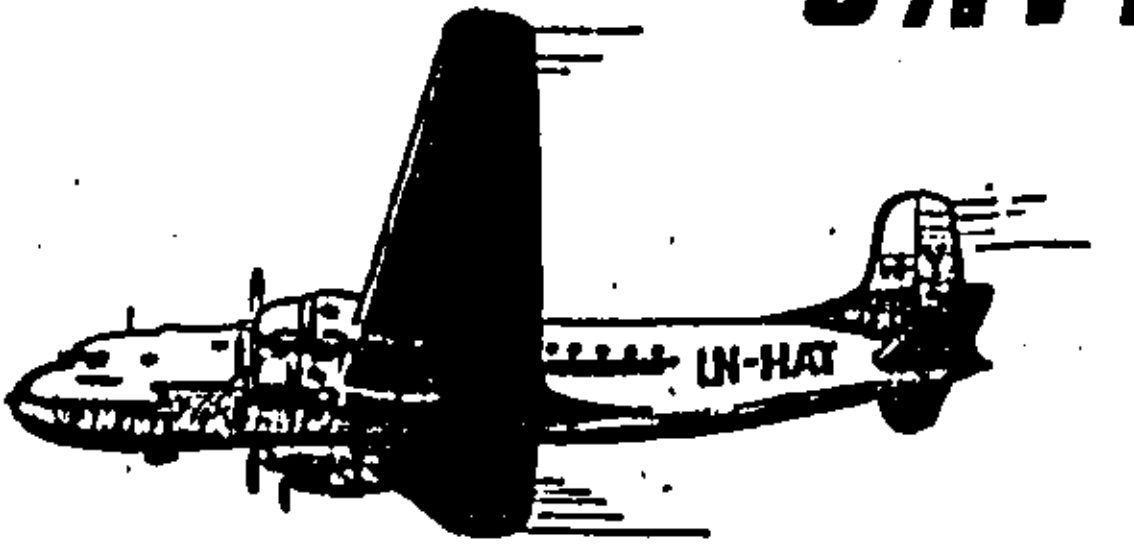
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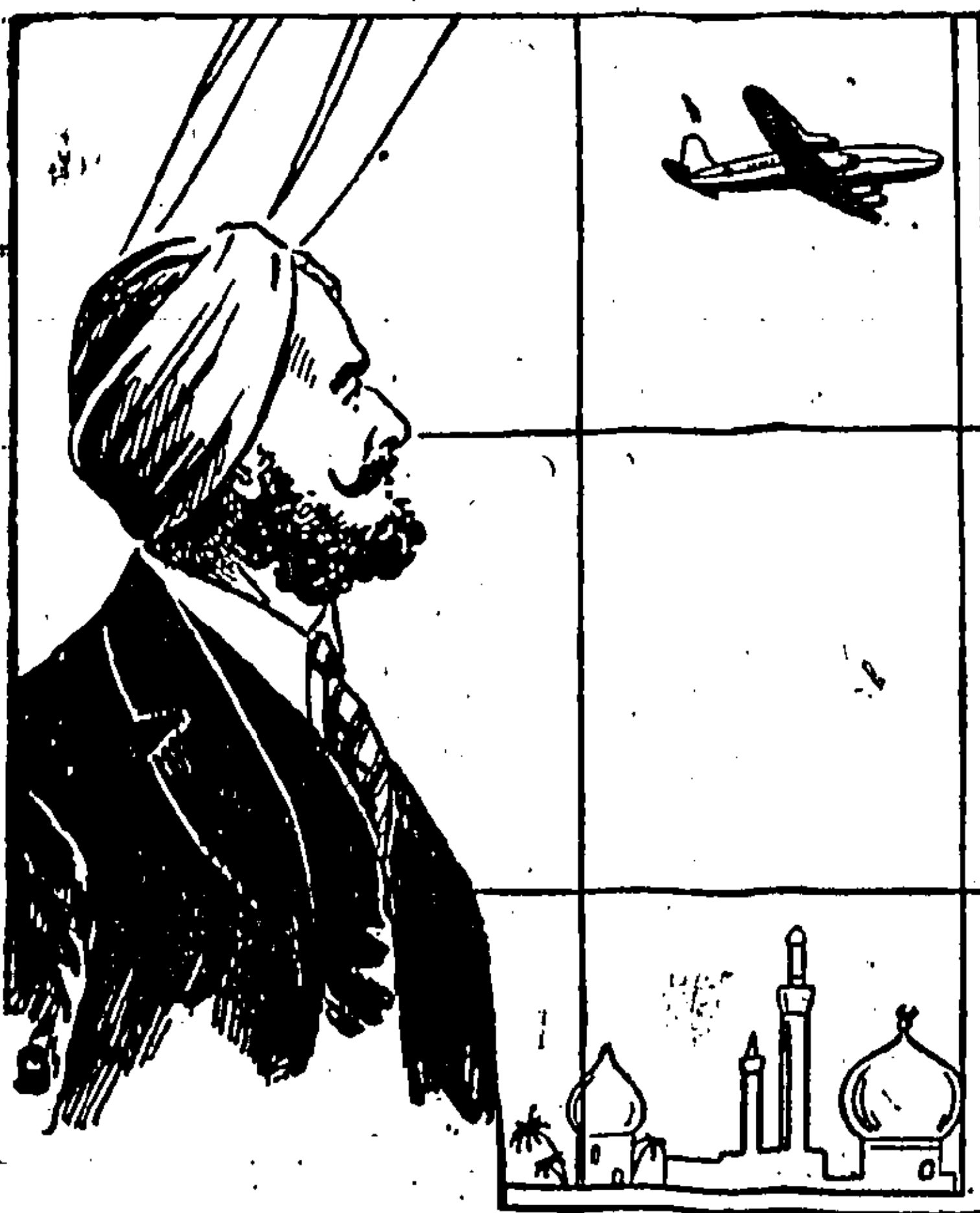
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"STOP GAP" AID DEBATE

Little Opposition Manifested In Senate

Growing Menace Of Communism

Washington, Nov. 25. The United States Senate approved today an amendment in the \$597,000,000 stop-gap aid bill for Europe, directing that foreign aid buying be done in such a way as to "exert the least upward pressure" on domestic prices. Launching the second day's debate on the Government's Bill to provide \$597,000,000 stop-gap aid to France, Italy and Austria, Senator Tom Connally called for speedy and overwhelming approval "on behalf of the freedom of Western Europe and in defensive resistance to an aggression which would reduce Western Europe to vassalage and political slavery."

Insisting that while Germany's war potential should be destroyed, that nation should be rehabilitated as a "mighty workshop," Senator Connally registered his support for a separate peace with Germany and Austria. If the Council of Foreign Ministers, meeting in London, failed,

"The other great powers must conclude treaties without Russia to restore peace and determine the status of former enemy states," he declared.

With hopes running high that approval for the Bill may be registered before tomorrow night, little opposition manifested itself as the debate continued.

One or two Senators indicated their intention of introducing amendments—one of these would provide that the United States Government would do all buying for the programme—but none of them would seriously cripple the State Department's intention of bringing the speediest possible assistance to Western Europe.

The Alternatives

Like Senator Vandenberg yesterday, Senator Connally again warned of the alternatives to American action.

"Should the nations of Western Europe be plunged into misery and suffering, which the continued lack of food and fuel may entail, they may be swept by despair into the morass of Communism and anarchy," he asserted.

"Western Europe must not be turned back centuries into tyranny and totalitarianism," he said. "Its freedom was purchased by the peoples who were fighting their way toward the light. They must not be hurled back into the midnight darkness of police states."

"Pressed as they are by Communist threats from within and without, they must not succumb to strangulation by the evil forces that assail them," Senator Connally emphasized that the United States was look-

ing to Europe for a large measure of self-help.

Self-Help

"Those who do not endeavour to help themselves must not expect our help. They must realize that their destiny is in their own hands."

He continued: "The United States is willing to aid, but it has no desire whatever to intervene in the domestic affairs of any recipient nation. It has no purpose to control their economy or their Government."

"We want them to stand on their own feet, look the world in the face and, with dignity, demonstrate their own independence and their own innate power to make and administer their own institution," he said.

The Senator asserted that the current riots, strikes and unrest in France and Italy were directly aimed at sabotaging both the recovery of those nations in general and the American aid programmes in particular.

"We cannot witness the destruction of democracy and the substitution of cruel and savage Communism," Senator Connally said.

Senator Alexander Smith (Republican of New Jersey) said that if the United States withdrew from Europe and refused it aid, it will mean the enslavement of a whole continent by the Moscow clique. If France and Italy go, Greece and Turkey will go. Then we cannot maintain them as islands against Communism.

"Britain, too, would be isolated—and a third world war would be inevitable."

Senator William Knowland, (Republican of California), who had just returned from a trip "before and behind the Iron curtain," and claiming that "Russia's main export was fear and terror," called for a total halt in United States exports of machinery and other goods to Russia.—Reuter.

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The Treasurer's Comptroller Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 p.m. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

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The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Bookmakers, Tie Men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

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Grandi Case Opens

Rome, Nov. 25. Mr. Winston Churchill, Lord Halifax, the former British Ambassador to Washington, Lord Vansittart, and Lord Templewood, were among witnesses called by the defence when the trial of Count Dino Grandi, Mussolini's Ambassador in London, for alleged Fascist activities opened in Rome today.

Both British and American witnesses will be asked to come to Rome to testify in court or else send answers to the court questionnaire.

Count Grandi, who is now in Portugal, is being tried in his absence.—Reuter.

U.S. Medals For 27 Britons

London, Nov. 25. British men and women from all walks of life were presented here today by Major-General Clayton L. Bissell, the United States Military Attache, with the United States awards and decorations for the help they gave to the Allied cause in World War II.

Of the 27 military and civilian recipients of honours, two were American and the remainder British.

The wide scope of awards was illustrated by the fact that among those to receive the Medal of Freedom were Miss Dillys Morris of Llanelli, South Wales, who was the secretary in the Signal Section, European Theatre Operations, during the war, and Mr. F. D. Littlewoods, town clerk of Cheltenham.

To receive the Medal of Freedom with Silver Palm, were Major-General J. C. F. Holland, DFC of Headquarters, Western Command, the Engineer-in-Chief and Director of the Royal Engineers and chairman of the Engineer Equipment Army Assignment Committee of the London Alignment, Board in 1943 and 1944.—Reuter.

Clayton Looks On Bright Side

New York, Nov. 25. Mr. William Clayton, former American Under-Secretary of State, writing in the magazine Saturday Evening Post today declared that "the international sky will brighten like magic" if the Marshall Plan succeeds.

The plan's success hinged on a clear understanding by both Americans and Europeans of its purpose and spirit, Mr. Clayton said.

Much of the \$20,000,000,000 to be spent in the next four years "will not return to America in any tangible form," he added.

Mr. Clayton spent four and a half months in Europe laying the groundwork for aid programme for Mr. George Marshall, who has estimated the cost at between \$16,000,000,000 and \$20,000,000,000.

Mr. Clayton said: "This great outlay will not be just a bookkeeping transaction, it will represent continuing strain on our economy and certain sacrifice on the part of individual Americans. We will need a combination of understanding, firmness and tact, and we must insist on certain wise but tough conditions and stand firm for their observance."

The writer added that he felt the Russians had everything to gain and nothing to lose from a prosperous Europe "insofar as their aims are peaceful and non-expansionist. From the bitter Communist opposition to the plan we can draw only one conclusion as to the present line of thought in the Kremlin," Mr. Clayton said.—Reuter.

Korea Election Hint

New York, Nov. 25. The Scripps Howard writer, Parker Lamore, in a Washington dispatch, today suggested the possibility that Syngman Rhee might attempt to "hold" an election in Korea as he did in 1948. Lamore said the "results will not be recognized by the United States and the United Nations but the veteran leader may not be deterred from acting by what he may regard as legislative dictum. Thus the possibility of a civil and unbridled government in South Korea may not be entirely rubbed out."—United Press.

Woman In Czech Cabinet

Prague, Nov. 25. Czechoslovakia today acquired its first woman Cabinet member in the history of the Republic as Mrs. Ludmila Jankovcova was appointed Minister of Industry to succeed Bohumil Lauerman, newly-elected chairman of the Social Democratic Party.

Two vacant vice-premierships were also filled today. Frantisek Tymek of Brno, vice-chairman of the Social Democratic Party and vice-Speaker of Parliament, replaced Zdenek Fierlinger, ousted from the Party chairmanship last week because of his close collaboration with the Communists. Dr. Stepan Kovara took over the Slovak Democratic Party vice-preiership, succeeding Jan Ursiny, who resigned last month when his private secretary was involved in an alleged anti-State conspiracy in Slovakia.

The new appointments do not represent any formal change in the political balance of the Cabinet. However, observers believe the two new Social Democratic Ministers, known to be advocates of the new "independence" policy of the Party, will stiffen anti-Communist elements in the Cabinet.—United Press.

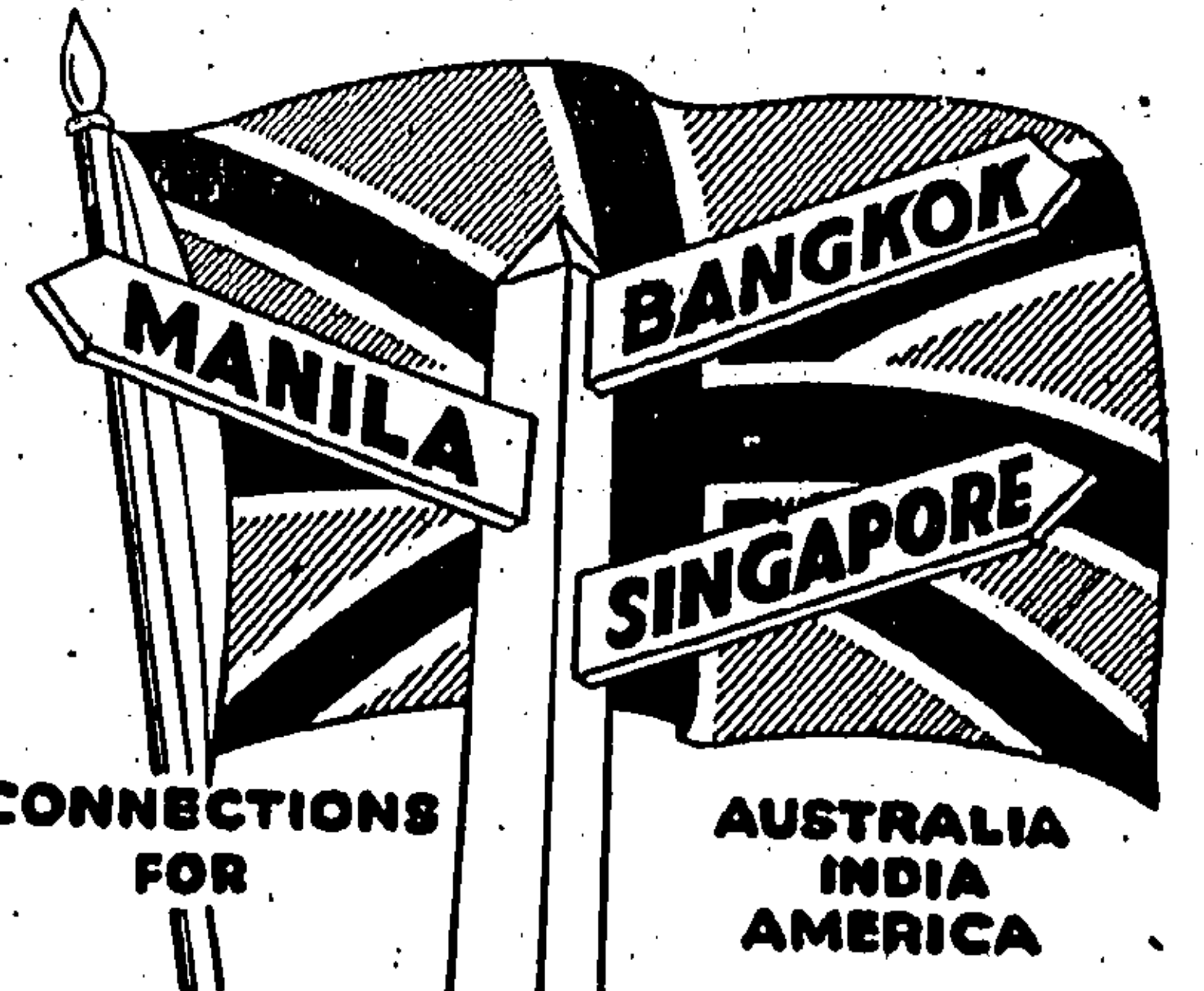
Convicts Surrender

Waupun, Wisconsin, Nov. 25. Sixty-nine convicts surrendered to the authorities here today after a 15-hour siege by over 150 heavily armed officers and warders of the second floor of the laundry in the State prison.

The convicts, who held four warders as hostages, discarded their home-made weapons and came peacefully away from the barricade which they had erected in the laundry.

The warders held as hostages were not harmed, and there was no violence during the siege.

No reason for their action was given by the prisoners, who refused to deal with anyone but the State Welfare Director.—Reuter.



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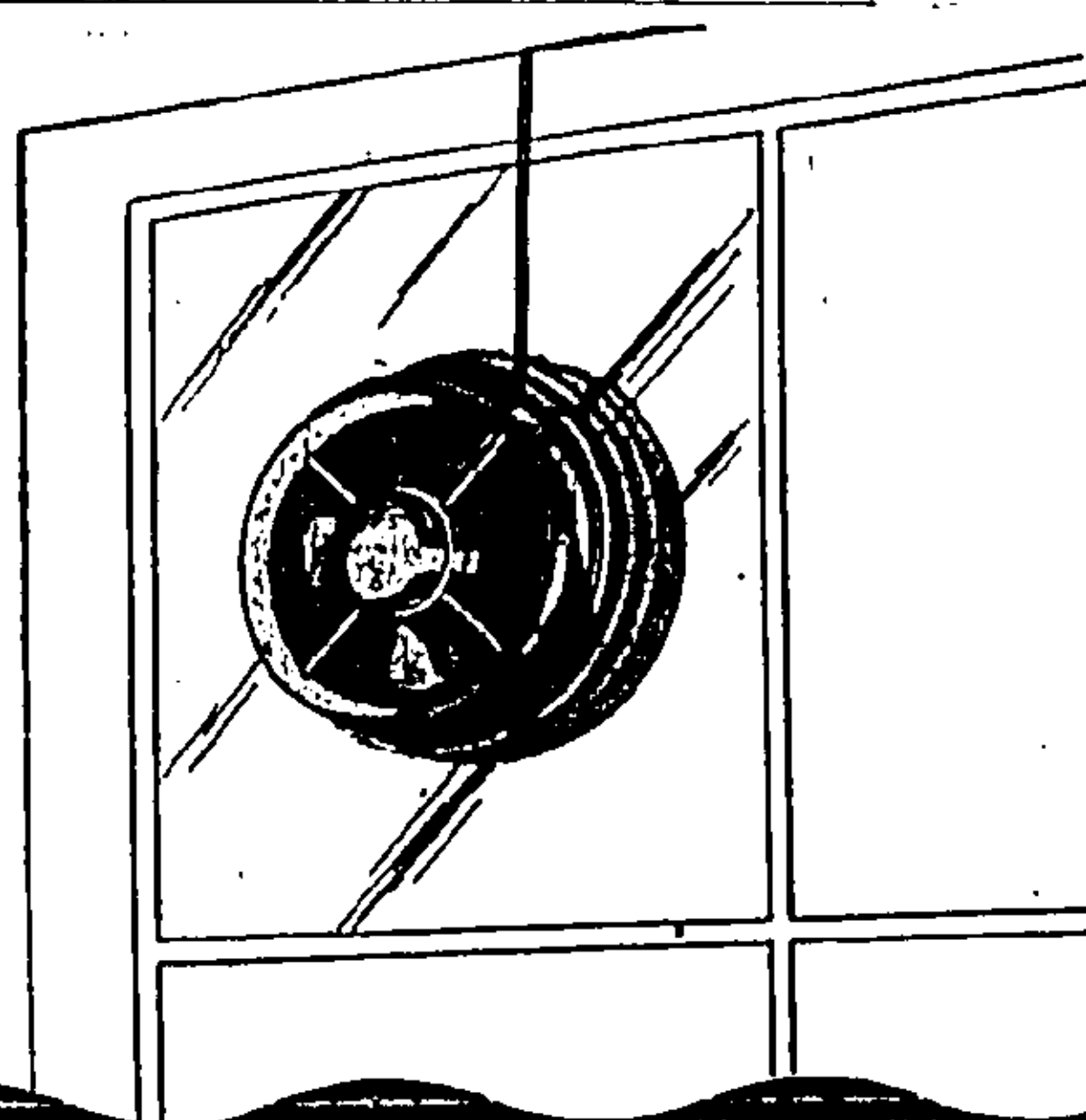
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London, Nov. 26.
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The first British air taxi, a Bristol Type 171 helicopter, has made its public appearance and its test flight was most satisfactory. The helicopter can carry three passengers as well as the pilot.
The 450 H.P. engine has a 200 mile range at a normal cruising speed of 100 m.p.h. As its rotor has only a 47-foot diameter, the helicopter can take off from and land on very small areas.

Channel
Tunnel?

The Dauntless Channel Tunnel Co., formed more than 80 years ago, still is trying to promote the idea of an undersea tunnel connecting Britain and France.

Sir Herbert Walker, company chairman, insists the proposal is more attractive today than at any time since Queen Victoria gave her blessing to the project.

Engineers believe it could beat the driven from behind the Shakespeare cliffs, between Dover and Folkestone on the southern coast of Britain, to a point near Wissant, between Boulogne and Calais, in France. That would make it about 31 miles long, more than 20 under the open sea.

Estimated pre-war cost was around £30,000,000. (U.S.\$120,000,000), although increases in building and supply costs indicate some \$160,000,000 today.

Two Tunnels Proposed.
The job—two tunnels 20 feet in diameter and 50 feet apart, connected by frequent cross galleries—would take about 45 minutes.

A 2,000-yard "trial bore" from the Dover cliffs out to sea, made around the turn of the century, served a vital purpose during the recent war. British scientists with delicate acoustic equipment kept 24-hour-a-day watch for any enemy attempt to drive an invasion tunnel through from the continent.

An English scientist dismisses the danger of atomic destruction with the argument: "What could an atom bomb do to a tunnel 30 or 40 feet beneath the seabed?"—United Press.

A British Helicopter



Produced by the Bristol Aeroplane Co., constructors of the 126-ton "Brahmazon" (the world's largest land plane), the Bristol-171 is Britain's first commercial helicopter. A 4-seater, it is intended for use as a feeder for aerial taxi lines, rescue work or artillery spotting.
A special feature is the rotor, which can be used to destroy the sinking speed and leave it capable of hovering for a few seconds before a touch-down—even without engine-power. The transmission system has a designed life of 10,000 running hours. (A Photo)

Something New In
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The Decola Record Player

For something really fantastic in the way of electric sound recording, "Decola" record player now on display in Moutrie's would be hard to beat. A Moisewitsch record sounds just as though the maestro was present in the flesh, grand piano and all, while a Halle Orchestra disc makes it very easy to imagine that one is actually in a concert hall and not in a shop in downtown Hong Kong.

Housed in a handsome Australian walnut cabinet, the "Decola" is not a cheap instrument—\$3,456 delivered to one's drawing room. This compares favourably with its price at home of just over £216. But, for those who can afford it, this is a cheap price to pay for the privilege of being able to summon a "real live" symphony orchestra into being at a moment's notice.

No technical data covering the "Decola" is as yet available in Hong Kong, other than that the three balanced loud-speakers give a response range of from 30 to 14,000 cycles a second. What this means may best be understood by a comparison with the real instruments of an orchestra, remembering that the average recording instrument today is not very responsive to frequencies below 100 cycles or above 4,000 cycles a second.

The lowest note on a piano has a frequency of about 27 cycles a second, the highest about 4,000. Listening to a real symphony orchestra, one seldom hears anything lower than the fundamental tone of the open E string on the double-bass (40 cycles a second) and the highest clearly audible are the upper harmonics of the violins and oboes (around 16,000 cycles a second).

The average gramophone manages to get by with its limited range because the omission of the frequencies between 4,000 and 16,000 seconds is not readily noticeable; it merely means the elimination of certain overtones.

True To Life
Nonetheless, a recorder which does respond to this range—and the "Decola" goes up to within 2,000 cycles of the upper limit—will give a far truer-to-life reproduction, as these higher frequencies give the instruments of the orchestra their characteristic tone; their omission results in a distortion of these tonal qualities.

Waistcoats For Sheep!
A Scottish sheep farmer, John Ewart of Taynall, has thought up an answer to the blizzards of winter for his Argyllshire flock.

Instead of sending his young lambs and sheep to warmer areas from October to May, Ewart has fitted them with special, coupon-free, water-proof, heat-retaining "jackets."

These "sheep's waistcoats" are made of flour bags dipped in boiled linseed oil. Fashionably long, they will keep out damp and preserve the lamb's wool.

Alaska Has
Her Picture
Snapped

The world's largest multi-lensed aerial camera is back in Nome, resuming a 20-year task of taking Alaska's picture.

The photographer's subject is docile enough. Alaska has sat patiently for ten years while her picture was being snapped. The job is half done.

The nine-eyed giant has lenses that can spell out s-t-o-p on a traffic sign 14,000 feet below.

Its job is "mapping" Alaska and the Aleutians preliminary to more thorough groundwork of Coast and Geodetic field surveys. Lt. L. G. Taylor of the Survey is in charge of the immense operation of re-charting coastal waters for water-borne navigation.

Although a photographer himself Lt. Taylor's job will be lightened by the work of civilian Byron Hale. Hale is the only civilian in the B-17's nine-man crew. Seven crew-members are coast guardsmen.

Designed by Comdr. O. S. Reading of the Survey in 1926, the 350-pound goliath was rebuilt in 1944 after having been wrecked in an Adak plane crash. The only one of its kind—it cost \$40,000—the king size Kodak requires such highly-skilled photographers to keep its intricate, seeing apparatus in precise adjustment that mass production was discouraged.

Twenty-six thousand miles of coastline, from British Columbia to the tip of the Aleutians, thence northeast to Point Barrow and on to the Canadian border is the long, ragged profile the camera must see.

130-Deg. Arc

"Our camera is equal to the task. The best single-lensed aerial camera takes only a 95-degree shot, whereas our sees a 130-degree arc," said Hale.

The hardest job of the "mapping" operation is "swapping out the weather."

"Alaska under a mantle of snow is about as photogenic as a piece of paper. We try to keep ahead of winter," he said.

After a Nome Point, Barrow charting, which they hope to finish this year, it will be west into the Williwaws—those hurricane-velocity winds of the Aleutians.



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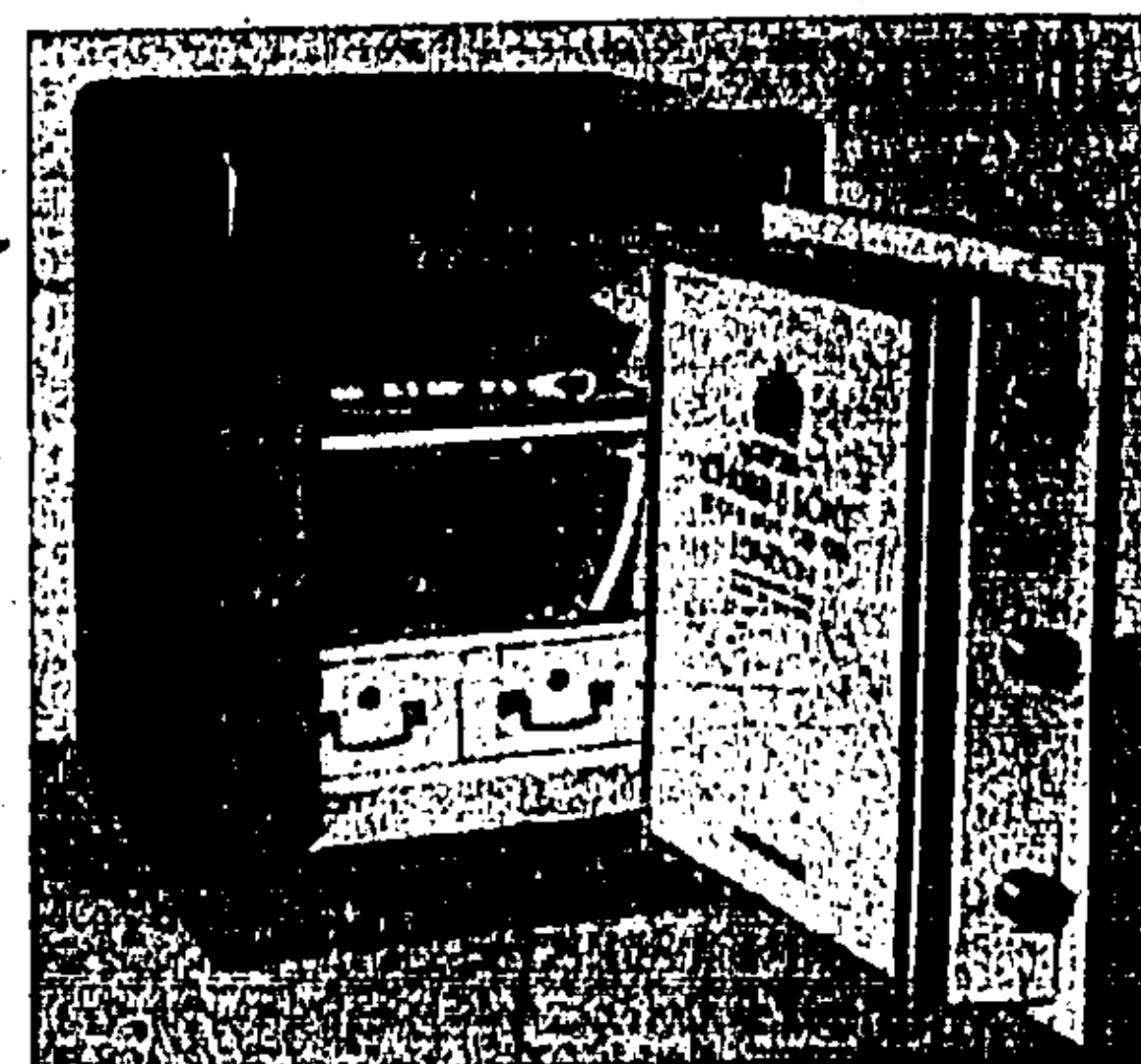
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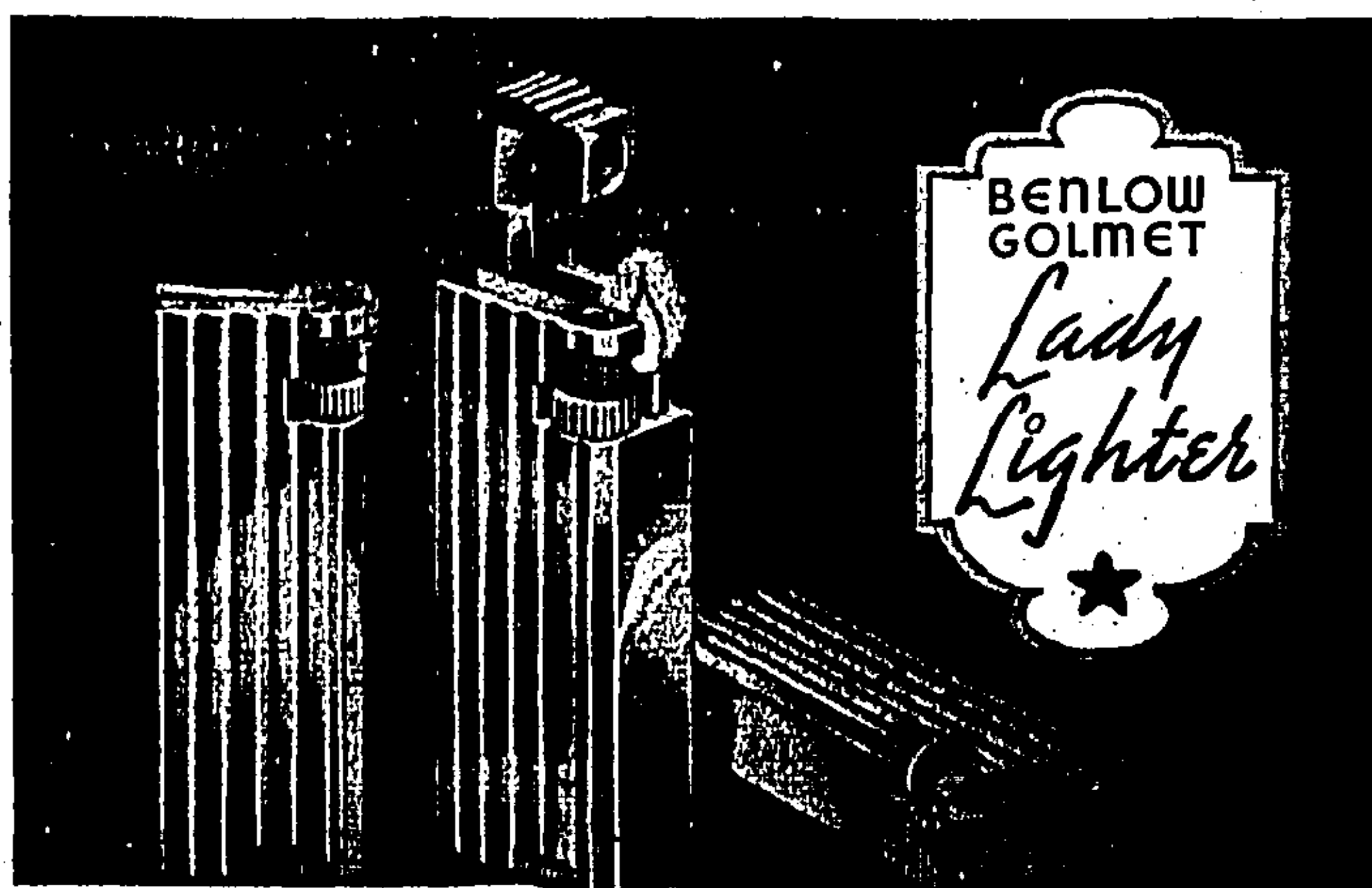
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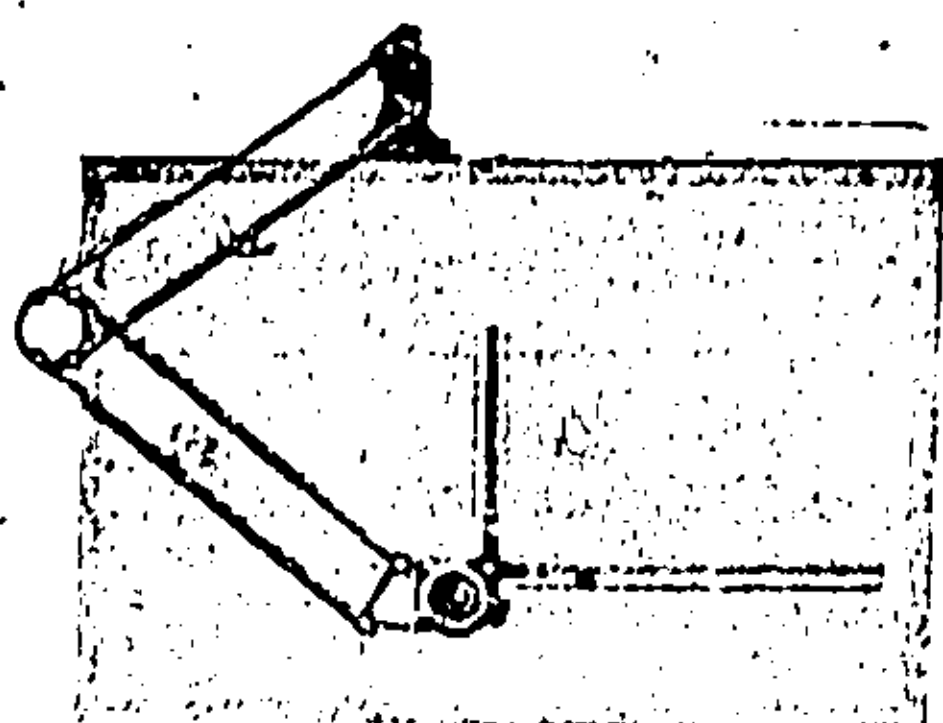
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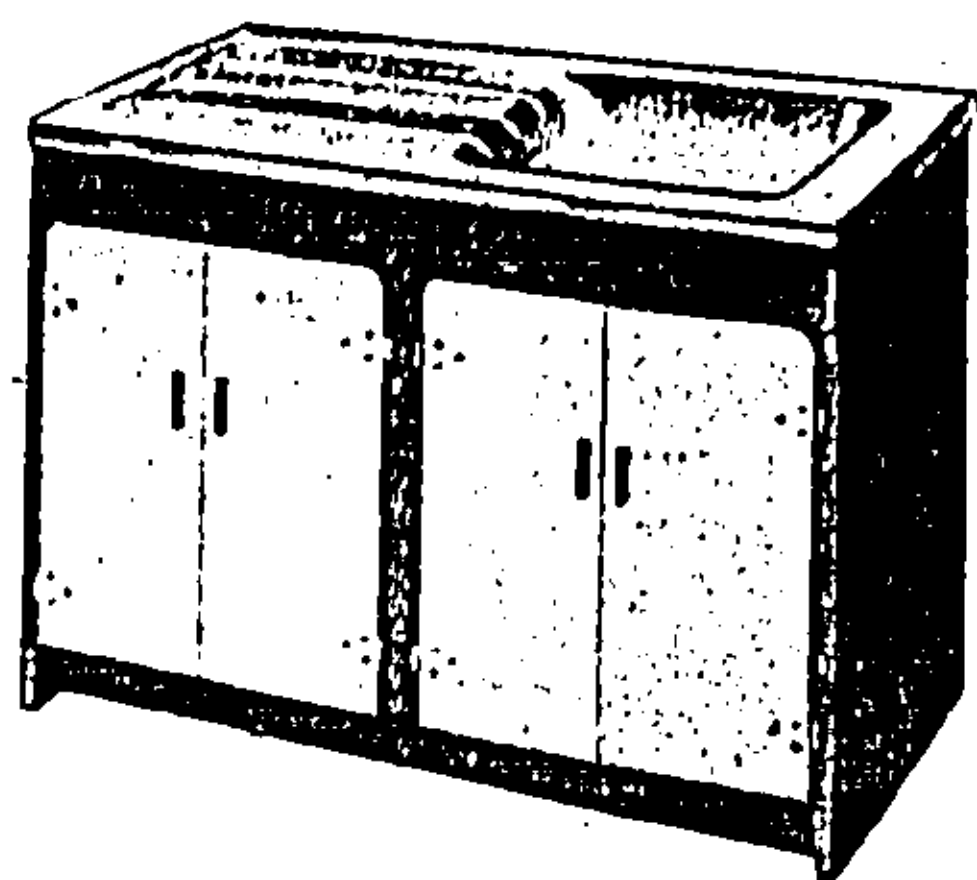
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ENGINEERING PAGE Continued from Page Eight**ROCKETS REVIVE INTEREST IN THE PLANETS****Synthetic Fats And "Next War"**

The possibilities of establishing a synthetic fats industry that could be quickly expanded in time of need is being investigated by management officials and research heads in the chemical industry.

An U.S. was the case with the lack of natural rubber in World War II, shortages of natural fats and oils might prove to be a serious bottleneck of both food and industrial production in a future war. Synthetic production would solve the problem, as it did in the case of natural rubber.

A sizeable output of synthetic fats would also help in relieving long-term world shortages of fats and oils.

The synthesis of fats was developed in Germany before the war. It is obtained by the combination of fatty acids derived from paraffin wax and glycerin.

Glycerin can itself be made synthetically from petroleum. The first synthetic glycerin plant will be put into operation in Texas next year by the Shell Chemical Co. The \$70,000 plant will produce 35,000,000 lb. of high purity glycerin annually.

The German process for making synthetic fats is known, and could be easily adapted with improvements, Dr. Gustav Egloff, of Universal Oil Products says.

Under the present building conditions the U.S., it would require two years to construct a synthetic fats plant, Dr. Egloff estimates.

Large quantities of natural fats and oils are now being used to make soap and glycerin. Production of synthetic fats for soap and synthetic glycerin for cosmetics and other purposes would release large quantities of natural fats and oils for other purposes.—United Press.

By Paul F. Ellis

The possibility that rocket ships in the future may be zooming through space far away from the earth's gravity pull has again revived interest in Mars, Venus and Mercury.

The astronomers are showing new interest, particularly in Mars, and the old question of whether life can, or does, exist there is being pondered again.

Mars will make a close approach to Earth next February 17. Then it will be only 63,000,000 miles away. Astronomically speaking, this is almost hand-shaking distance.

At a recent symposium at Yerkes Observatory of the University of Chicago, several of the nation's top astronomers disclosed they were planning another serious "look-see" at Mars next February.

New techniques of exploring the surfaces of the earth's neighbors have been developed, and Prof. C. P. Kuiper, one of America's top astronomers, told the symposium that next February it may be possible to determine the composition of the polar cap on Mars—whether it is water droplets and snow, or solid ice.

He said it may even be possible to identify the substance of the green areas on Mars, sometimes held to be vegetation. Some scientists say where there is vegetation, or plant life, it is reasonable to assume there is animal life.

Another astronomer, Prof. James Franck of the University of Chicago, commented on the significance of settling the question as to whether or not the green areas on Mars resemble terrestrial vegetation.

He believes it hardly possible because of the many conditions peculiar to the earth which have determined the type of organisms existing here.

Oxygen Rare

Astronomers have long believed that oxygen on Mars is extremely rare. If it exists at all.

Dr. Franck believes, however, that the problem of life on other planets revolves around the question of whether such life exists on Mars.

The other planets, he explains, show conditions now suitable for the maintenance of living beings. The absence of oxygen in Venus definitely prevents that vegetation on a large scale does not exist there as does the enormous abundance of carbon dioxide and the absence of water.

Some astronomers have said that Venus, however, may have had life many millions of years ago, and that it was snuffed out when the oxygen disappeared. Some of the less conservative say that such a fate might even happen to Earth in the millions of years to come.

The huge, 200-inch mirror telescope at Palomar, Calif., may be in operation by next February 17. If so, the astronomers surely won't miss taking a new exploration of Mars.

With this new instrument, many other mysteries of the universe may be settled. One, for instance, is whether space goes on indefinitely, or whether it has an ending. The theory that space bends also may be checked.—United Press.

"FIDO" For Los Angeles Airport

Los Angeles municipal airport plans installation of the spectacular "fido" landing aid by the end of this year.

"Fido" is an abbreviation for an original name coined by Royal Air Force engineers during the battle of Britain in 1940. It stands for "fog inflammable dispersion operation."

The RAF built a long, wide runway in Suffolk County, England—one of the closest points to the German-dominated continent. They built it on the theory that many planes returning from raids could be saved by emergency landings at a point near the English Channel.

Their theory proved correct. More than 1,000 RAF and 8th Air Force planes—and their valuable crews—were saved by the huge landing strip during the war.

But another problem beset the RAF—the ground-hugging English fogs which roll in off the North Sea shortly before dawn. The nights over England usually are crystal clear in the winter-time, but the approach of morning warmth raises the moisture off the sea and wafts it over the west coast of the island like a great white blanket.

Dread Fog

Bombers which got back from continental raids an hour or two before dawn had little trouble landing. But the last raiders—and usually they were the ones with battered crews and shot-up engines—met the dread fog.

So the RAF lined a runway with petrol laid in ditches—applied a torch—and burned the fog right off the ground. The effect of thousands of gallons of burning petrol raised the mist as much as 300 feet at times—enough for weary pilots to creep in under the overcast. It cost \$30,000 an hour, but it was worth it in saved lives.

Later improvements in the fido technique changed the open ditches to jet-sprays of petrol from a pipe system along the runway. Then oil was substituted for the precious petrol.

So now Los Angeles airport is asking bids on construction of just such a system. The Civil Aeronautics Authority is interested in the results—so much so that it is providing \$341,000 of the estimated \$630,000 total cost.

Installments

The airlines which use the airport eventually will pay back the rest of the money to the city. Los Angeles will pay for the installation, then take payments from the lines on a five-year installment plan.

The fido system to be installed at Los Angeles will be a far cry from the first crude smudge-pot operations in war-time England. One of the biggest problems faced by the RAF in the first fido landings was the heavy black smoke coming up from the burning petrol. Natural gas burners probably will be used in Los Angeles, eliminating most of the smoke problem.

The natural gas will be far less expensive than petrol, and, present less of a fire hazard.—United Press.

Hearing Aid Better Than Real Thing

A new hearing aid—one that can amplify sound 20,000 times and still be carried in a seven-ounce packet hidden in the clothing—has been developed.

This new device, announced by the Sonotone Corporation, is so delicate that it can pick up sounds that even the natural ear can not hear. Furthermore, the ear piece is now being made in transparent plastic—so thin and so transparent that it is virtually invisible.

The new aid, according to Irving I. Schachtel, president of the company, should do much toward "breaking down reluctance of the public toward wearing hearing aids."

He said there are today 5,000,000 Americans who need hearing aids but that only 500,000 are wearing them.

"This is due to reluctance to admit impaired hearing, although faulty vision is quickly admitted and corrected by glasses," he said.

The microphone, radio tubes and batteries of the new device are contained in a single packet, about the size of a large cigarette case. Heretofore, the usual hearing aid equipment required two packets—one for the batteries and one for the microphone and tubes. The present tubes are about the length of a paper clip, and almost as light. The batteries are not as big as the little finger.

Men may wear them in their vest pocket. Women can conceal them in their clothing.

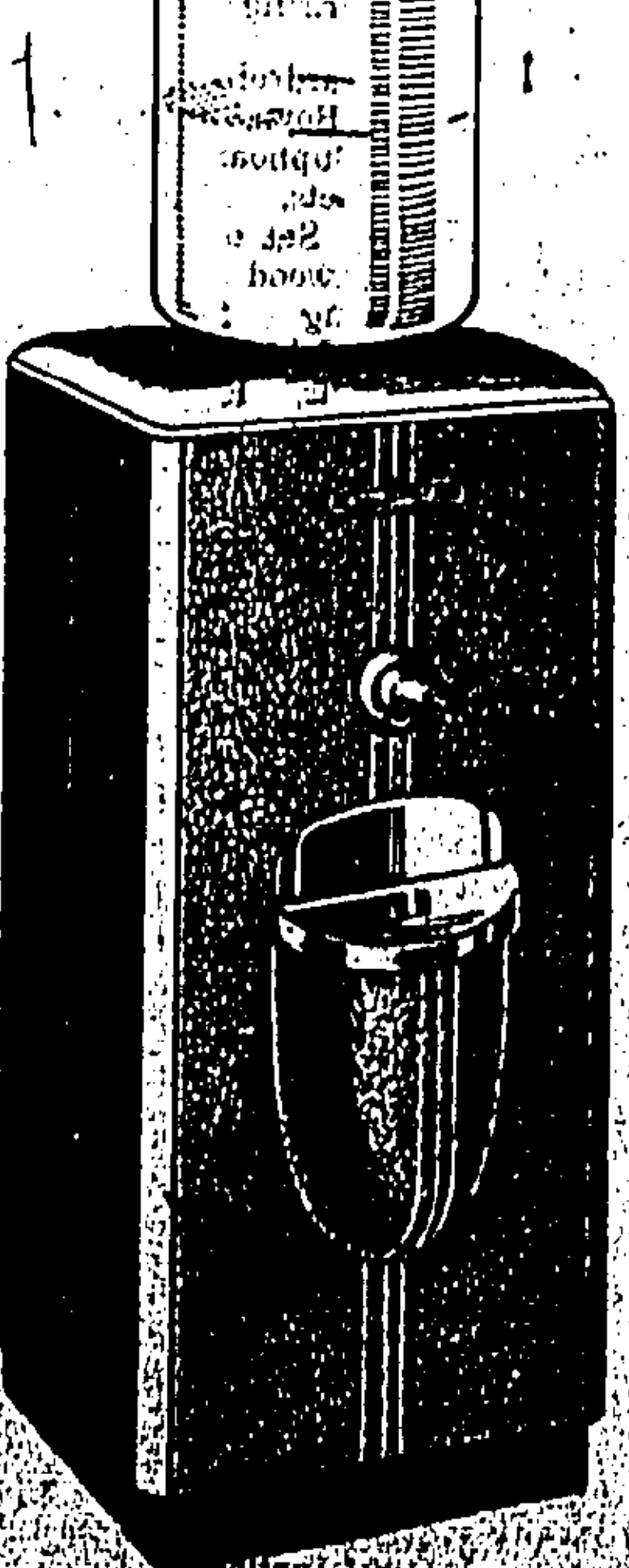
Schachtel said that "proper fitting and mechanical adjustment of a hearing aid is no longer a hit or miss affair." Instruments now have been devised, he said, to determine just what is wrong with a person's hearing. The aids can then be adjusted properly.

Lancashire Cotton

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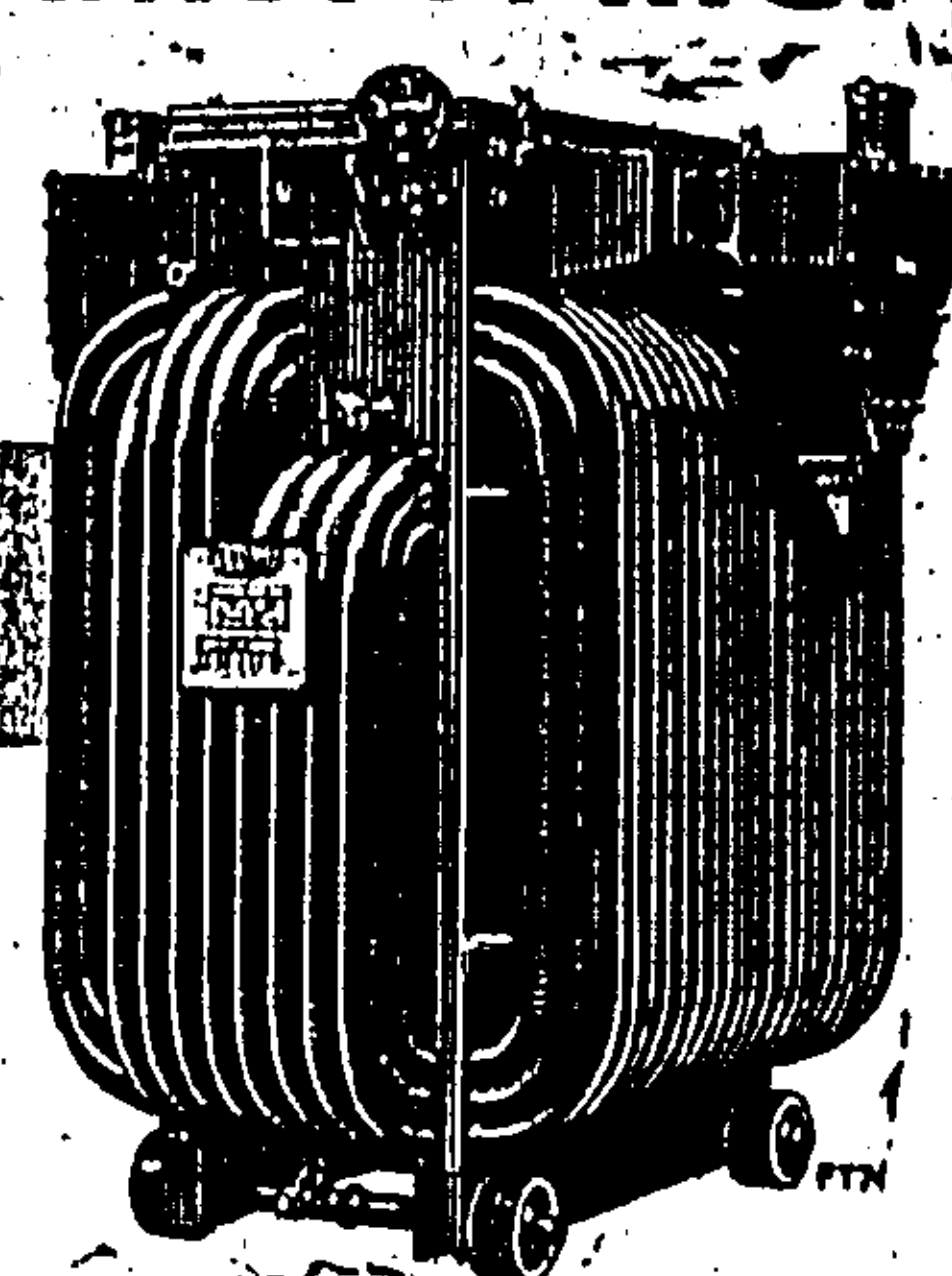
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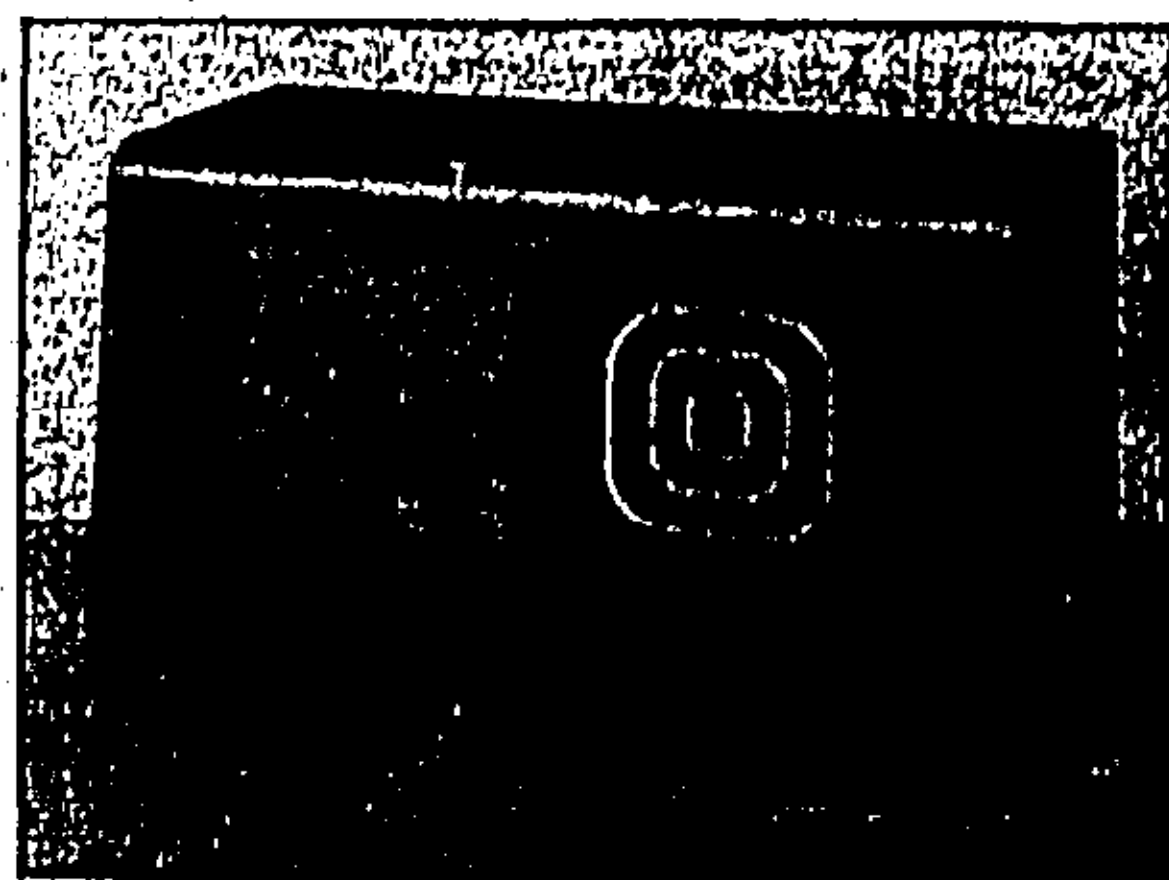
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Economic Mission To South China

Nanking, Nov. 26. Mr. Huang Yuan-ping, member of the National Economic Commission, will soon leave for South China on a mission to study the nation's highest economic policy-making body to conduct an investigation of the economic situation there.

Mr. Huang will also investigate matters concerning the rampant smuggling of goods in the black-market value of the Hong Kong dollar, domestic remittance rates, overseas Chinese remittances, and foreign trade. — Reuter-AAP.

New Rugby Union Split Averted

Paris, Nov. 25. The possibility of another Rugby Union split between France and the four British Rugby Unions was narrowly averted here yesterday, when the French Rugby Federation meeting with M. Gaston Kaux, the Director-General of sports, as the arbitrator ruled that 13-a-side French rugby league players would no longer be licensed to play with the 15-a-side French Rugby Union.

This complete severing of relations between the French Rugby League and the French Rugby Union followed protests by British rugby officials against the inclusion of French league players, many of whom are professionals, in Rugby Union teams which are theoretically strictly amateur sides.

In French rugby circles, it had been feared that the British Rugby Unions would suspend games with France if Rugby League players were barred from Rugby Union teams.

It will be recalled that in 1931, allegations of professionalism in France led to a rugby split between that country and England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland, and matches were not resumed until 1939. — Reuter.

OLYMPICS

London, Nov. 25. The maximum number of entries for each nation in next year's Olympic Games is 481 (412 men and 69 women). The highest entry so far is America's total of 416.

Great Britain is next with 348; France with 308; Italy and Czechoslovakia 284 each, and Switzerland 270. — Reuter.

FOOTBALL FIXTURES

The following is the Football League programme for the week-end: Saturday, Nov. 29

IST. DIVISION
Bulls v. (Club) Sookunpoo, 4.30 p.m.
Referee: F. H. Bullock, Lincoln.
A. Bittero and QMSI Tambov.
2ND. DIVISION "A"
Eastern v. W. D. Chisney (H. Valley, 11.30 a.m.) Referee: A. Farmer
Navy v. Police (H. Valley, 11.30 a.m.) Referee: N. Delgado.
R.A.O.C. v. Dockyard (Sookunpoo, 3 p.m.) Referee: Cpl. Mansour.
H.O.L.F. v. K.M. Bus (C. Hill, 3 p.m.) Referee: Y. T. Leung.
South China v. St. Joseph's (C. Hill, 4.30 p.m.) Referee: P. George.

Sunday, Nov. 30
1ST. DIVISION
Kwong Wah v. Police (Police, 3 p.m.) Referee: J. G. Padley, Liniment.
A. F. Willis and P. Xavier.
K.M. Bus v. South China (Police, 4.30 p.m.) Referee: A. F. Willis.
Liniment: J. G. Padley and R.M. Ewin.
St. Joseph's v. R.A.F. (Navy, 3 p.m.) Referee: A. A. Barretto, Liniment: C. K. Woo and K. H. Tsang.

2ND. DIVISION "A"
Kitcher v. Inniskillings (Navy, 4.30 p.m.) Referee: R. M. Omat.
Liniment: A. Farmer and Sivers.
Eastern v. Chinese A.A. (C. Hill, 4.30 p.m.) Referee: A. Gust. Liniment: S. M. Lui and A. M. Lee.
Sing Tao v. 25th R.A. (Club, 4.30 p.m.) Referee: A. Brogan. Liniment: Harris and D. Leonard.
2ND. DIVISION "B"
Kitcher v. Talook (H. Valley, 11.30 a.m.) Referee: A. Leck.
2ND. DIVISION "B"
R.A.S.C. v. South China (H. Valley, 11.30 a.m.) Referee: SHY.
Club v. Chinese A.A. (Club, 3 p.m.) Referee: P. George.
R.A. v. Sing Tao (C. Hill, 3 p.m.) Referee: P. George.
R.A.M.C. v. Signals (H. Valley, 11.30 a.m.) Referee: Y. T. Leung.
Electric v. R.E.M.E. (H. Valley, 11.30 a.m.) Referee: P. F. L.

In a game, packed with thrills, the powerful Malayan Chinese XI was lucky to share six goals with an experimental United Services' XI at Sookunpoo yesterday afternoon.

The United Services' XI, which was expected to go down to a heavy defeat, exceeded all expectations by putting up one of the best performances to be given by a Services' team for quite some time.

Play became somewhat rough in the second half and several of the Services players received injuries. The referee had to warn one of the Malayan Chinese players for rough tactics.

The Players

James, the Services' custodian, gave a brilliant exhibition and proved himself to be a worthy substitute to Crake. His positioning was excellent, while his keen anticipation and composure under pressure was magnificent.

The two full backs, Passant and Soutar, completely demoralised the Malayan Chinese attack by their methods and tenacious tackling.

Passant, referred to by Chinese spectators as "the man with the moustache" was particularly effective and was to the fore as he repeatedly smashed up dangerous movements.

Parvin, who usually plays as full back, gave an outstanding performance in the half.

Malayan Chinese started off in promising style and gave the impression that they were going to swamp the Services, but as the game progressed, they fell away badly.

The two backs cleared strongly in the opening stages but as the Services settled down and began to make their presence felt, the Chinese and Tan were forced into making mistakes, and to kick wildly when in a tight corner.

Lee Ee Eow, the Malayan Chinese pivot, again played a brainy and constructive game and was a force to be reckoned with at all times.

The Play

From the start, Malayan Chinese took up the offensive and opened their account after play had been in progress for about five minutes, when the Tan Tsiang headed in from a corner.

The equalizer came when Sewell connected a well placed pass from Davidson and headed it into the corner of the net, well out of the reach of Chu.

Malayan Chinese again took the lead when Kwan Souk Tack gathered the ball just as it was going out of play and sent in a fine curving shot which gave Jones no chance.

Services fought back gamely and following a corner kick, Kierman met the ball first time and sent in a terrific drive to the corner of the net before Chu knew what was happening.

At half time, the score was two all. The Services held the upper hand during the greater part of the second half and had the Malayan Chinese defence worked to a standstill.

Services went ahead when Davidson, in a brilliant solo effort, netted with a crashing drive.

The Teams

The teams were—
United Services' XI (Navy), Passant (RAF), Soutar (RAF), Corbett (Navy), Parvin (Navy), Anderson (RAF), Morris (Navy), Hamilton (RAF), Sewell (RAF), Kierman (Inniskillings) and Davidson (RAF).

Malayan Chinese XI: Chu, Chee Kien, Chong Kok Heng, Tan Kai Han, Mow Kim Sen, Lee Ee Eow, Yung Kah Choon, Low Hong Cheung, Aw Hoon Boon, Ha Teo Shun, Chia Hoon Leung and Kwan Souk Tack.

SELECTIONS

The following have been selected to represent the Combined Chinese against Malayan Chinese (Lien Wah) football team on Saturday, 29th November, 1947 at Navy ground, Causeway Bay, kick-off at 4 p.m.:—Yue Kai-yun (C.A.A.), Ling Yung-nang (K'Che), Tso Kam-jung (Eastern), Kwok Yung-ki (K'Che), Soong Ling-sing (K'Che), Chow Man-chi (K.M.B.), Ho Ying-fun (K'Che), Fung King-cheung (S' Tao), Chu Wing-keung (Eastern), Lai Shiu-wing (K'Che), Chao Chow-ling (S' Tao), R. services—Tan Kwan-kan (Eastern), Chan Tak-fai (S. China), Tang Chung-wan (K'Che), Chang Kam-hoi (S' Tao), Lau Chung-sang (K'Che).

The following players are requested to turn up for the H.K.F.C. v. Chinese A.A. 2nd Division match on Sunday on the Club ground, at 3 p.m.:—Caton, Taylor, Sloan, Locke, L. Strang, Osnager, Hamley, Urquhart, Foy, Shiu-wing, Barker, Gardner, Kennard, and Phillips.

The team will be selected before the game commences.

Soldiers Kept Married Quarters

ALDERSHOT, NOV. 25. FIFTY-SEVEN POSSESSION ORDERS WERE MADE AT THE ALDERSHOT COUNTY COURT TODAY AGAINST REGULAR SOLDIERS WHO HAD CONTINUED TO LIVE IN MARIED QUARTERS WITH THEIR FAMILIES AFTER LEAVING THE ARMY.

The orders take effect in six weeks, but it is stated that further extensions will be considered by the military authorities in exceptional cases.

For the Secretary of State for War it was stated that on leaving the Army all defendants were allowed to remain in their quarters under an agreement by which they had to pay rent. There was no wish to be harsh on them in any way because of the acute housing position in the district, and it was with the greatest regret that proceedings were taken.

The quarters were required for serving soldiers and their families and the waiting list was big. Quarters had to be found for Army families returning from India and Palestine. If at the end of the six weeks the positions of the families were unchanged, they could approach the military authorities and every leniency would be extended. — Reuter.

HUNGARY TIGHTENS UP FRONTIER

Budapest, Nov. 25. Hungary's Communist Minister of the Interior, M. László Rajk, today announced drastic measures for the control of the Austro-Hungarian frontier to prevent smuggling and illegal cross from one country to the other.

Since November 15, a belt about nine miles deep along the whole frontier has been watched by police and frontier guards.

Strikers In Shanghai Beat Up Owner, Kidnap Son

Shanghai, Nov. 26. The Mei Hwa silk mill today notified the Chinese Industrial Association that it was forced to close because Union men had stopped production.

The mill owner said the fact that the shop was unable to close on Confucius' birthday because of a large order satisfied the labour union which shut off motor, and kidnaped a foreman and the owner's eldest son for several hours, while the owner, Chi Tain-tai, was later beaten up.

Meanwhile a conflict continued at the Fu Hsin Tobacco Company where the authorities are asking the discharge of 14 workers accused for instigating a walkout. — United Press.

SOFTBALL SITUATION:

Wildfires Will Clash With Braves

(By Grandstand)

When 'Doc' Molthen, President of the Softball Association, pitches the first ball on Saturday afternoon at 3 p.m. another flag-race will be sent off to a flying start with the Wildfires and the Braves down for the inaugural tilt of the Men's "B" Division League.

On Sunday the Rexes meet the Josephians in a 'no holds barred' pace-setting tussle. Hal Wingle, Association Secretary, will call at the plate in the first game, while Philo Remedios will call the balls and strikes in the Sunday clash. The following teams have registered for participation: Josephians, Rexes, Darcdevils, Rangers, Braves, Wildfires, Jaguars, Cosmos, United Nations and the Blue Beetles.

I never guessed even the slight of second elements shorts and under-benches a clash after a runner like a pack of wolves, could be as nothing compared to the grotesque spectacle of a Softball game being played on the same pitch simultaneously with a soccer game.

At the start, the throwing footballs while footballers were kicking the balls. All this happened last Saturday when your scribbles wandered down to the local soft-ball sandlot where a friendly contest was in progress between Sabu Sam's Rexes and the Jaguars as a preliminary to the minor circuit pennant chase.

The game was on the whole well conducted in spite of the confusion, and a top-notch scorer in the person of Tony Baptista was on hand to record the plays in big league manner. The game went into extra innings with the Rexes nosing out the Jaguars in the ninth by 18-10—not that this small detail mattered as every one had a good time. I was shared with many on one fortuitous "B" Division and judging by the interest shown by these budding youngsters, the minor league has been organised at the right time by proxy Philo Remedios.

Land Forces

Smith, lbw, b Payne 6
Marston, b Payne 13
Cummins, b Payne 6
Rees, c and b Crosthwaite 9
Wright, b Payne 3
Moore, c Powell, b Bank 16
Dunford, b Bank 10
Merry, b Bank 22
Bryant, c Payne, b Holl 14
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Payne, lbw, b Moore 4
Halo b Moore 6
Weymouth, c Wright, b Moore 6
Clark, c Wright, b Moore 2
Twinn, b Smith 2
Jeffries, b Moore 2
Bank, not out 2
Crosthwaite, run out 7
Popper, c Bryant, b Smith 7
Powell, c and b Moore 2
Extras 0

Total 31
Bowling:—Smith 2 for 14, Moore 7 for 15.

N.S.W. TENNIS

Sydney, Nov. 25. Jim Brink of Seattle, Washington, today beat Jack Darn of Australia, 6-3, 6-2, 6-3 in the quarter finals of the 'New South Wales' men's singles.

Jack Brownish beat Frank Sedgman, 8-6, 6-0, 7-5.

In the men's doubles quarter finals Brink and Ed Moylan of Trenton, N.J., were beaten by A. Brody and B. Tonkin of Australia 7-5, 6-3, 3-6, 9-7, 7-5. — United Press.

Bobbysoxers Mob "Command" Show

London, Nov. 25. More than 5,000 people, mostly teen-aged bobbysoxers, lined the specially-erected steel crush barriers opposite Leicester Square Odeon Theatre, in London's West End, to watch the arrival of the King and Queen, with Princess Margaret, the Queen of Denmark and the King of Rumania, and British and American film stars for tonight's Royal Command performance.

The American film shown was "The Bishop's Wife," starring Cary Grant, Loretta Young and David Niven.

GOLF WORLD SERIES

Chicago, Nov. 25. A world series to determine amateur and professional international golf champions is to be sponsored by the Professional Golfers' Association of America at Gurnee, Ill., Florida, course in February 1949. Mr. Ed Dudley, the President of the Association, announced.

The title will be limited to players ranked mainly of winners of amateur, open and PGA championships of America, Canada, the United States, Canada and South Africa. — Reuter.

ASSEMBLY MUST DEBATE PARTITION OF PALESTINE

Lake Success, Nov. 25. The United Nations Palestine Committee tonight accepted the partition plan scheme for separate Jewish and Arab States in Palestine by 25 votes to 13 against, with 17 abstentions and two absences.

Afghanistan, Cuba, Egypt, India, Iran, Iraq, the Lebanon, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Siam, Syria, Turkey and Yemen voted against.

Paraguay and the Philippines were absent.

Those who abstained were: Argentina, Belgium, China, Colombia, El Salvador, Ethiopia, France, Greece, Haiti, Honduras, Liberia, Luxembourg, Mexico, Holland, New Zealand, Britain and Yugoslavia.

The partition solution must still obtain a two-thirds majority in the General Assembly.

The operative part of the resolution, as laid before the Palestine Committee, said:

"The General Assembly recommends to the United Kingdom for Palestine and to all other members of the United Nations the adoption and implementation, with a view to the future government of Palestine, of a plan of partition with economic union and requests:

"1.—The Security Council to take necessary measures as provided for in the plan for its implementation.

"2.—That the Trusteeship Council be informed of the responsibility envisaged for it in this plan.

"The General Assembly calls upon the inhabitants of Palestine to take such steps as may be necessary on their part to put this plan into effect and appeals to all governments and peoples to refrain from taking any action which might hamper or delay the carrying out of these recommendations."

"Time Has Come"

A hush fell on the smoke-filled Committee room packed to overflowing with the press and the public, as the vote began.

Many Jews were present. Rabbi Gold, a member of the Jewish Agency Executive with flowing patriarchal beard, lent a Biblical touch to the momentous session.

The Chairman, Dr. Herbert Eviatt, of Australia, looked around and said: "Well gentlemen, the time has come to vote and silence fell on the Chamber."

The roll call being called, the Committee secretary repeated each vote to make sure that there was no mistake.

Immediately after the result was announced, Dr. Eviatt, Egypt, said: "Egypt considers that the decision in connection with partition does not lie with the scope of the Charter."

Dr. Eviatt then declared: "That concludes our work and our report now goes before the General Assembly. The Palestine ad hoc Committee now stands adjourned and liquidated."

Dr. Eviatt, in a press statement later, said that Britain had acted with complete propriety in bringing the matter to the United Nations.

"In my opinion, it is unjust that, as a result of this action, the United Kingdom should have been subjected subsequently to an ungenerous criticism of the conduct of its policy in Palestine."

"A mandatory power is entitled to every credit for what it has accomplished within the inherent practical limits of a mandate."

"The course taken by the United Kingdom of relinquishing the mandate and submitting the matter to the United Nations is only one which it could take with dignity and a sense of responsibility."

On the basis of tonight's voting the partition would be the shortest of the required two-thirds vote in the Assembly.

New Zealand and China, who abstained today, will most probably vote "Yes" in the Assembly.

FRENCH WAR CRIMES TRIAL

Baden, Nov. 25. The biggest war crimes trial in the French Zone of Germany ended today when the French military court sentenced ten former concentration camp guards to death and 25 others to terms of imprisonment ranging from 10 to 20 years.

Eight other defendants were acquitted. The 43 accused were guards in concentration camps in Wuertemberg. The condemned guards have the right of appeal, which must be exercised within ten days. — Reuter.

"MOUNTBATTEN FOR U.S." DENIED

New Delhi, Nov. 26. A Government House spokesman said today that reports that Lord Mountbatten might become British Ambassador to the United States are absolutely without foundation. — United Press.

Sutan Sjahrir To Visit Australia

Singapore, Nov. 26. Dr. Sutan Sjahrir, ex-premier of Indonesia, who pleaded the Republic's case in the Dutch-Indonesian dispute before the United Nations, is to visit Australia next week.

Dr. Sjahrir, at present in India, is expected to arrive in Singapore by flying-boat on November 30 and will continue to Darwin by Lancastrian plane on December 4. — Reuter.

Uncle Mac Allergic To Wheat

London, Nov. 25. "Uncle Mac" of Children's Hour—Derek Ivor McCulloch, of Bannock, Surrey—today asked in Chancery Division for an injunction to restrain Lewis A. May (Produce Distributors) Ltd. of Cornwall, from selling or advertising puffed wheat in such a way as to suggest that he was associated with the marketing of it.

It was stated that McCulloch had been broadcasting for more than nineteen years, and was generally referred to in the Children's Hour as "Uncle Mac". The firm had distributed wheaten food under the name "Uncle Mac's Puffed Wheat."

Printed references included "Uncle Mac" loves children and children love Uncle Mac."

For McCulloch it was added that he suffered from a serious physical disability. He had only one eye and one leg. The firm had traded on this infirmity by the statement on the cartons to the effect that "Uncle Mac cannot get about as freely as we would like to."

The firm, who denied McCulloch's allegations, said that references to "difficulties of travel" meant that the reason people could not buy puffed wheaten outside the counties of Hertfordshire and Essex was due to wartime restrictions, such as zoning difficulties. — Reuter.

Wrecked Ship Breaks Up

Ketchikan, Alaska, Nov. 25. The Army freighter, Clarkdale Victory, broke in half in 50-foot waves off the coast of British Columbia today and it is feared that all but three of the 51 crew aboard are dead.

LT. Cmdr. O. D. Weed, flew over the scene of the disaster and reported by radio to Seattle that the ship was broken in two and the forepart of the ship was the only part which did not go down with the ship.

The ship tore into rocks off the southwest beach of Hippa Island, 140 miles south of here, during fog and rain last night.

Throughout the night and early day, huge 50-foot combers crashed into the Clarkdale Victory and kept one rescue vessel standing by helpless, unable to lower boats in the treacherous rock-studded waters, even after the freighter broke in two. — United Press.

ENGINEERING SOCIETY OF H.K. MEETS

Mr. J. Finnie presided yesterday at the inaugural meeting of the Engineering Society of Hong Kong which was held at the Board Room of Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Mr. Finnie said:—

During the past two years the formation of an Engineering Society has been suggested on many occasions, and earlier this year a representative group of Engineers started informal discussions which have resulted in the drawing up of a proposed constitution for an Engineering Society, and in the calling of this meeting tonight.

Before the war Engineering Institutions at home suggested to their corresponding members in Hong Kong that local members of these institutions should form a branch here. It was further suggested that if there were insufficient members to warrant the formation of a separate institution, the members of the home institutions might amalgamate and form one society. Owing to the advent of the war this proposal did not develop. I think it was generally agreed that while there might be some advantages in the formation of two institutions, to successfully form separate societies, a society embracing all branches of engineering was much more likely to grow up and develop into a healthy institution.

At one time the Institution of Civil Engineers embraced all classes of engineers, but with the advance of science and the growth of industry the scope of engineering widened very considerably and men found it necessary to concentrate on particular branches of engineering. This resulted in the establishment of various groups of engineers—each with their own institution.

"Now the tendency is for these groups to concentrate on their own particular branch of engineering, and to draw closer together again. Engineers have found that the rapid development in engineering which caused them to specialise instead of isolating them has in fact made them more dependent on one another. It is essential in Hong Kong, as elsewhere, that there should be close collaboration."

The chairman proposed that the draft constitution and bylaws as prepared by the Provisional Committee be adopted as the Constitution of the Society until such time as it be confirmed (with any revisions considered necessary) at a general meeting to be called later.

The meeting then proceeded with the election of officers, and the following were elected: J. Finnie, President; S. E. Faber, Vice-Presidents; W. I. Miller, Secretary; W. A. Anderson, Hon. Secretary; R. O. Craig, N. Garland, F. C. Cleme, R. P. Dunlop, V. Keniff, E. Wongsat, A. W. Black, P. Revely, J. C. Brown, A. S. Mac Kichan and Lee Ky Nung. (Committee)

The first meeting will be held in the first floor lounge of the Hong Kong Hotel on Wednesday, Dec. 10 at 5.45 p.m.

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